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Your choices are your future

By Elaine Wilson

A party of a different kind, sponsored by local PPC patrons, rocked DHS last week. Like most parties there was music and laughter but the serious nature of the message of the PARTY (Prevent Alcohol and Risk related Trauma in Youth) Program came through loud and clear: the lives of today's teens are at risk and their fate basically rests in their own hands.

A multi-media production, the Party Program incorporates a variety of elements to drive the "every action has consequences" and "free choice is a matter of individual responsibility" messages home to the students gathered in the high school gymnasium.

Party Program coordinator Patti Morris R.N. began the presentation by showing and commenting on a collection of slides. Statistics and catch phrases flashed by in rapid sequence. Four hundred and three people die on Alberta highways annually, nearly one person per day.

"We're losing you guys," Morris said, "People say, 'they're accidents so we can't do anything about it', but over 85 per cent of all accidents are predictable and preventable."

Next up was a video featuring re-enactments and footage of actual accidents in the Red Deer area. Parents who'd lost children appealed to teenagers to wear bike helmets, buckle up, resist the impulse to drink and drive and to slow down and drive responsibly.

One mother described the nightmarish reality of opening your door to a policeman requesting that someone come to the morgue to identify the body of one's child.

"I miss so much about my son," she said, visibly struggling to maintain self control while describing her child's memorable characteristics and qualities as a home movie of happier moments played across the screen. Her composure crumbled as she concluded, "But more than anything, I miss the hugs."

"Would everybody please stand up?" Morris requested. "Would those who always buckle up their seatbelts please sit down?"

Morris took a quick poll of reasons offered by DHS students who remained standing as to why they did not customarily make use of safety restraints. "They're uncomfortable," she was told. "I don't buckle up if I'm just going a few blocks," said another.

"Did you guys know that 90 per cent of the crashes involving people from your age group happen within five miles of home?"

Her experience as a nurse has proven to her that seatbelts do indeed save lives, but every accident entails a cost nonetheless.

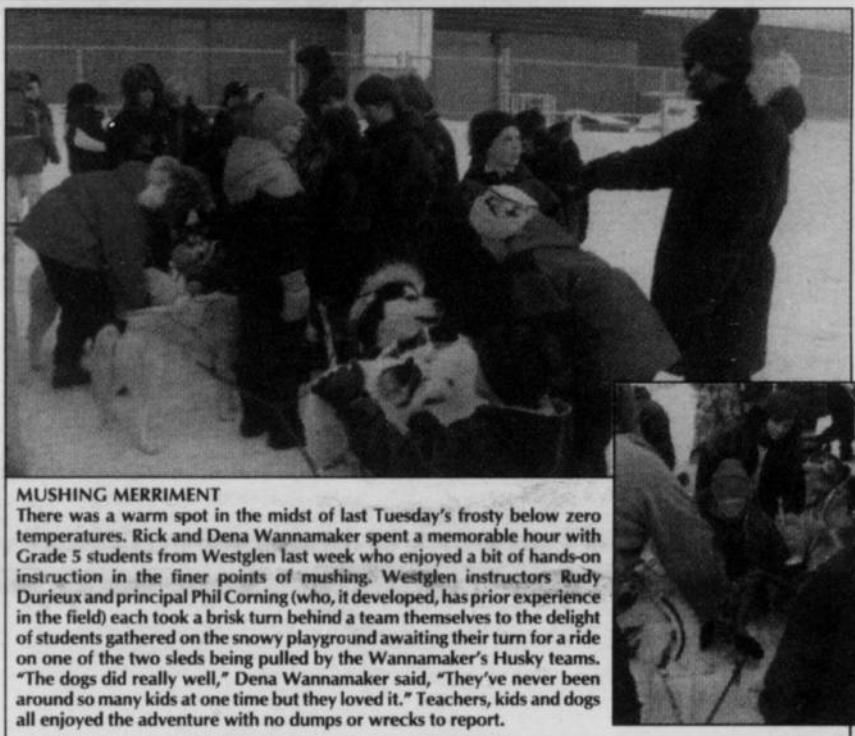
"Not everyone makes it out of intensive care," Norris said. "We used to lose one young person a week. That's hard, guys."

Accompanying Morris were four injury survivors. Three spoke about how their own choices has altered their lives forever. The fourth offered harrowing insight into how the choice of an inebriated driver robbed him of a whole host of future choices many take for granted.

Marlin Styner elected not to wear a seatbelt; he is now wheelchair bound for life. Norm Jonasson dove into shallow water; he is also confined to a wheelchair. Evan Anderson remains bitter after being struck by an impaired driver; he will never walk again. Warren Hulleman took off his bicycle helmet one hot sunny day on the road. A crash catapulting him into the air impacted his skull upon landing; he now deals with the reality of irreversible brain damage on a daily basis.

"In one second my whole life changed forever," Hulleman said.

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MUSHING MERRIMENT

There was a warm spot in the midst of last Tuesday's frosty below zero temperatures. Rick and Dena Wannamaker spent a memorable hour with Grade 5 students from Westglen last week who enjoyed a bit of hands-on instruction in the finer points of mushing. Westglen instructors Rudy Durieux and principal Phil Corning (who, it developed, has prior experience in the field) each took a brisk turn behind a team themselves to the delight of students gathered on the snowy playground awaiting their turn for a ride on one of the two sleds being pulled by the Wannamaker's Husky teams. "The dogs did really well," Dena Wannamaker said, "They've never been around so many kids at one time but they loved it." Teachers, kids and dogs all enjoyed the adventure with no dumps or wrecks to report.

It's in the bag

By Elaine Wilson

Nearly two months have passed since the introduction of the three garbage bag limit by the Town of Didsbury.

"I have some positive news," Operational Services Director Wes Yeoman reported.

The town has averaged only six over-limit rejects per week constituting 0.5 per cent of all

households in town. Yeoman said this means 98 per cent are managing to keep waste disposal to three units or less.

"The Lions Club recycling depot is extremely busy," Yeoman noted, adding, "Complaints have been minimal; other towns that have already implemented similar limits had warned that

the first few months would see complaints and illegal dumping but that these problems disappeared as time went on."

A check of the records up to March 20 indicated that the town is selling an average of 15 over-limit tags per week (110 in seven weeks to date) equating 1.2 percent of town households.

Home destroyed by fire

The home of Didsbury resident, Lydia Maier, was destroyed by fire Friday night.

Didsbury Volunteer Department Fire Chief, Rick Mousseau, said the cause of

the blaze had not been determined at press time. The amount of damage in dollars is also yet to be determined.

The house was located west of Mountain View Estates at

the west end of Didsbury. Local firefighters responded to the call at approximately 11 p.m. March 22. Mousseau said an investigation on the fire's cause is under way.



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Development given tentative approval

By Elaine Wilson

A development application submitted to the County of Mountain View by Pig Improvement Canada (PIC) has been accepted by the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) "with conditions" attached, County Reeve Pat James confirmed following last Wednesday's MPC meeting.

James said PIC executives can appeal the inclusion of any or all of the conditions set out in the

agreement; adjacent landowners may also appeal the application itself. If no appeals are filed, the development may proceed.

The ultimate fate of the application is "up to the people," James said, explaining that while the MPC did not wish to stifle bids for economic development in the county, they acknowledged that the concerns of county residents must also be considered and addressed.

Notification through a letter

of decision, is to be forwarded to PIC through the mail. This notification will delineate conditions attached by the MPC.

PIC spokesman Dave Price said once formal confirmation was received the first item of business would be to review the conditions to see whether PIC deemed them reasonable and economically viable to comply with.

"We will take this carefully one step at a time and review it

carefully at each step," Price said.

County administration noted that after the application notice is published publicly on March 27, the appeal period runs for 14 days.

Should no appeals from the adjacent landowners or developer be received within two weeks, the permit would then be issued. If the proposal is appealed by any of the parties concerned, an appeal hearing will be scheduled within 30 days.

Conditions stipulated by county

1. Approval is for an intensive hog operation as follows:
 - NW 8-31-27-W4 Nursery barn Max 3,500 weaners
 - NE 8-31-27-W4 2 Nursery barns Max. 3,500 weaners per barn
 - SE 8-31-27-W4 Nursery barn Max. 3,500 weaners
 - SW 4-31-27-W4 2 Finishing barns Max. 3,500 finishers per barn
2. The hog operation shall be operated in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Practice for the Safe and Economical Handling of Animal Manures in consultation with Alberta Agriculture Food and Rural Development and the County of Mountain View.
3. Setbacks of any developments from the SW 17-31-27-W4, SW 9-31-27-W4 and NW 5-31-27-W4 for which Location Permits LP 103-96, LP100-96 and LP 001-97 have been issued, shall be as follows:
 - a) from the nursery barns, a minimum of 1,330 feet; and
 - b) from the finishing barns a minimum of 2,550 feet.
4. The operation of the hog facilities shall be in accordance with the information contained within the Application for Development Permit.
5. Prior to the construction of any barns, lagoons, or other developments the developer will provide to the satisfaction of the County of Mountain View the following information:
 - a) acceptable drainage design, prepared by a qualified professional, around each barn and lagoon site;
 - b) map showing the location of the wells drilled to date in the NE 8-31-27-W4;
 - c) map indicating the location of all future wells drilled on lands owned by Pig Improvement (Canada) Limited associated with this development permit;
 - d) a license be obtained from Alberta Environmental Protection for all water wells and that all licensing requirements be met including the mitigation of the effects of the proposed water usage on the water supply (aquifer) and other area wells;
 - e) that the field work recommended in the 1996 Groundwater Review developed by Hydrogeological Consultants Ltd. be undertaken to the satisfaction of a hydrogeologist retained by the County, including the non-pumping water levels of nearby wells;
 - f) acceptable soil hydraulic conductivity (permeability) information for each lagoon site;
 - g) acceptable depth to be maintained to the water table for each lagoon site;
 - h) the following information pertaining to the adequacy of fee materials used for the lining of the lagoons: moisture content, atterby limits, moisture - density relationships, and permeability. The results of these tests and information must be acceptable and accepted by the hydrogeologist retained by the County prior to

construction of any lagoon;

i) manure storage facilities must be engineered earthen lagoons or acceptable manufactured above ground storage;

j) monitoring wells will be placed in strategic locations around the lagoon sites to the satisfaction of the hydrogeologist retained by the County. These wells will be tested for water quality by the developer on an annual basis and the results forwarded to the County of Mountain View;

k) verification to the satisfaction of the County that agreements are in place for the disposal of manure;

l) in accordance with Section 650 of the Municipal Government Act, the applicant enter into an agreement with the County of Mountain View for the payment by the developer of all road upgrade costs, and ongoing maintenance required as a result of this development;

m) the applicant to provide to fee County of Mountain View an Irrevocable Letter of Credit in the amount of \$114,450 (3 per cent of estimated cost of development as shown on fee application for development) to ensure compliance with the conditions of this permit.

6. A screening of vegetation, satisfactory to fee development officer, shall be planted around each lagoon site.

7. Manure shall not be spread during that period of time when the ground is frozen and when spread, the manure shall be incorporated into the soil within 48 hours.

8. Access routes to the hog operations shall be to the satisfaction of the County of Mountain View.

9. Within one (1) year of commencement of the operation, fee operator and/or the County of Mountain View shall request inspections from Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, and Alberta Environmental Protection to ensure the entire operation is operated in accordance with the Code of Practice for the Safe and Economical Handling of Animal Manures and other relevant legislation. Further periodic inspections shall also be requested by the operator and/or the County of Mountain View.

10. The applicant pay all of the County of Mountain Views engineering and consultant fees which may arise out of this application; and legal fees (associated with compliance or noncompliance with this permit).

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Is our drinking water safe?

Submitted by the Didsbury Environmental Board

Quality of Drinking Water:

The Town of Didsbury obtains treated water via pipeline from the Mountain View Regional Water Services Commission Board (Anthony Henday Water Treatment Plant) located near Innisfail.

The Town of Didsbury test the water on a daily basis to ensure a safe quality of drinking water. All water flows are measured and testing is completed daily (365 days a year, including Christmas Day). A sample of water is taken weekly to be tested at the Provincial Laboratory of Public Health. This sample is tested for Faecal Coliforms (measures the coliforms present in faeces from humans, poultry, cats, dogs and rodents) and Total Coliforms (present all the coliforms present).

Odor and Taste: A rotten egg odor is caused by a harmless, smelly chemical - hydrogen sulfide. An unusual taste can come from the chlorine which is added to the water. Or as algae grows in surface water (lakes or reservoirs), they give off harm-

less, smelly chemicals that cause unpleasant tastes.

Recommendations:

1) Do not use a water softener which is connected to your drinking water supply.

2) If using a "Brita" always change the filter as bacteria develops.

3) Fill a gallon container and leave it out at room temperature, cover with a towel to allow the chlorine emissions to evaporate.

Plain Talk About Drinking Water:

Is it safe to drink water from a garden hose?

No, a standard vinyl hose has substances in it to keep it flexible; these chemicals get into the water as it goes through the hose.

Is it O.K. to use hot water for cooking?

No, use cold water. Hot water contains rust, copper and lead from your household plumbing and water heater. A good conservation tip: insulating your hot water tank and hot water pipe makes the hot water come to the tap sooner, thus less water is wasted.

Why does my dishwasher

leave spots on my glasses?

The spots that may appear on glassware after it is washed and air dried are caused by nontoxic minerals that remain on the glass when the water evaporates. Spots on glass shower doors appear for the same reason.

How long can I store drinking water?

Drinking water that is thoroughly disinfected can be stored indefinitely in capped plastic or glass containers. If possible store in a refrigerator.

Why are there aerators on home water faucets?

When mixed with hot water, tiny air bubbles from the aerator prevent the water from splashing too much. Aerators also help conserve water because the water flow is less.

Why does drinking water often look cloudy when first taken from a faucet and then it clears up?

The cloudy water is caused by air bubbles in the water. After a while the bubbles rise to the top and are gone. Cloudiness occurs more often in the winter when the water is cold.

What makes ice cubes cloudy? Commercially made ice is

stirred as it is being froze, household ice is not. Without mixing, many more ice crystals form and air is trapped in the ice. Light rays are distorted by these crystals and air, and this distortion gives home frozen ice a cloudy appearance.

Which freezes faster, hot water or cold water?

Hot water will freeze faster. While hot water is cooling, some of it evaporates and this creates a small cooling breeze over the water.

Some of the water is lost during evaporation, so you are freezing less water.

What is "hard" water?

"Hardness" in water is caused by two harmless chemicals - calcium and magnesium.

It is called hardness because if calcium and magnesium are present in your water, making a lather or suds for washing is "hard" (difficult) to do. Water with little calcium and magnesium is "soft" water. To find out

how hard your water is, telephone Cheryl at the town shop - 335-8343. The higher the hardness number, the more a water softener will help.

A water softener replaces the harmless minerals with sodium, a chemical believed to cause high blood pressure in some people. Therefore, you might want to connect the softener to the hot water line only. This prevents softener sodium from entering your drinking or cooking water.

What makes water taste or smell funny?

An unusual taste can come from the chlorine which is added to the water to kill germs. A rotten egg odor in wells is caused by a harmless, smelly chemical - hydrogen sulfide.

None of the contaminants that could affect your health can be tasted in drinking water. Generally the chemicals that cause a bad taste in drinking water will not make you sick.

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Morris then introduced Didsbury RCMP Cst. Myles Peckham.

"If you drink and drive, I'll be the chaser," Peckham began.

When pulled over and charged with driving while intoxicated, Peckham said he's witnessed a range of responses from the accused, "from dead quiet to very aggressive to total complete breakdown."

Peckham said that a show of tearful regret will not alter his course of action. Having witnessed the often brutal aftermath of alcohol-related accidents Peckham curtly advised, "I have zero sympathy."

For those asserting "it's no big deal, a good lawyer will get me off" Peckham noted that Didsbury RCMP have a 93 per cent conviction record on local impaired driving charges, and the services of a lawyer do not come cheap. Peckham reminded those in attendance that an impaired conviction constitutes a criminal record. A minimum \$500 fine ("one judge starts at \$1,000") is automatically accompanied by

the loss of one's driving privileges. The car is impounded and towing and storage charges are added onto the cost.

"And what do you think a conviction will do to your insurance rates?" Peckham asked.

"As a group you have to decide what you're going to do," Peckham said. "Be responsible for each other. If someone has been drinking and you see he's impaired, take his keys away from him. He might be mad at the time, but he will appreciate it the next day. You have to deal with the consequences [of your actions]."

The most compelling testimony of all came from the survivors seated in their wheelchairs at the front of the room as the presentation concluded. "My life has changed 100 per cent," Anderson said. "I was just like you. If I wanted to do something I'd just go do it. Now, if I want to go anywhere or do anything I have to arrange it. When I woke up [in the ambulance] and they were working on me I figured, 'Oh, I'm going to the hospital - they'll fix me up.' I never figured in a million years I'd be sitting here like

this talking to you."

Styner described the torment of months of rehabilitation he endured to regain even limited mobility.

"I was 18 years old," he said. "It was five days before college was supposed to start. I was on top of the world."

"You guys are making choices every day and those choices are your future whether you think so or not," Styner said. "Smoke or not, it's up to you. Drink but don't drive. Wear a seatbelt. You will have to live with the consequences, like the officer said - everybody around you is affected. I made a decision fifteen and a half years ago now everything you can think of - having a bath, going to the bathroom, being fed - I have to schedule my life around this."

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Carstairs Break & Enter

Prepared by Cst. G.G. Woolnough

Didsbury RCMP are requesting public assistance in locating the suspect(s) responsible for a residential break and enter on 11th Avenue in Carstairs. On February 10, thieves broke into the home by prying the back door and went through the kitchen to a master bedroom. They took two small jewellery boxes with jewellery. One was dumped in the backyard and one was found near the intersection of 11th Avenue and Gough Boulevard the next day. The identification papers of one of the victims was also located near the Roulston Museum.

Anyone with information on this or any other crime is asked to contact Crimestoppers toll-free at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477) or Didsbury RCMP. Callers remain anonymous and are eligible for cash awards up to \$2,000 upon conviction of suspects.

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EDITORIAL / OPINIONS

'Til we meet again



Elaine
WILSON

This will be my last editorial for the Didsbury Review.

Having been bitten, big time, by the travelling bug during a recent trip to Singapore and Hong Kong, I've decided to do a little more globe-trotting. Make that a lot more. Next stop- Ireland. From there, I'm not sure quite yet.

The Review's editorial policy dictates that the words "thank you" be-

long in the paid ad section, not in editorial copy so I won't go into all that here lest Gene charge me for placing this editorial instead of paying me to write it. I acknowledge, however, that it's been a genuine pleasure and privilege getting to know so many wonderful people in and around Didsbury during my time as your editor. I've learned so much from all of you I couldn't begin to assign individual credit in any case.

I hope you welcome my replacement - Ceilidh (that's pronounced 'Kay-lee' :-)) McClurg - with the same warmth kindness and openness I enjoyed as editor of the Didsbury Review.

Parting thoughts:

Don't let the hospital issue die and don't let anyone convince you Didsbury and district can't sustain a healthy stable of doctors along with viable Active and Emergency wards.

Throw your support behind your local school councils. I have found the members of all three to be intelligent, highly motivated, and from my perspective, basically invaluable. If you have questions go straight to these people for the real answers.

If you encounter problems with a civic issue talk to a town councillor or a member of the town's administrative team. They are quite approachable.

I think postmaster Chris Meyer summed up everything that's good about Didsbury when he said the new mail boxes recently installed at the post office will probably all soon be assigned. To me, this translates into: 'People keep coming to Didsbury because they know a good thing when they see it.'

I will always be grateful to all of you for granting me the opportunity to see it from so many perspectives.

Reflections on a Handful of Stars

By Peter Versulys,
Region Five Office of the
Commissioner of Services
for Children and Families

A group of people sit in a loosely formed circle. We're in a large second floor room that serves as a Teen Centre/Storefront School. The majority of people in the circle are students at the Storefront School in Strathmore. Some of them are about to do a reading of a piece of social drama called "A Handful of Stars." Seated amongst the performers are a few adults, most of whom are involved in an undertaking known as the Redesign of Services for Children and Families. "A Handful of Stars" was written as part of a social drama project that we started a few months ago. We're fortunate to have the playwright with us this afternoon. The remaining adult is the mom of one of the performers. I'm familiar with the drama, but this will be the first time that I've heard all the words come to life. This is very exciting.

As I look around the circle, I'm reminded that the performers are young people who have seldom experienced a good fit with the systems that are supposed to teach them, to nurture and support them, to control them. One girl in particular catches my attention. Her Grateful Dead style of clothing triggers thoughts of my own youth, of an earlier decade. However, I can't reminisce too much. What's happening around me right now is too good and too important to miss.

I manage to do quite well at keeping my focus on the reading, at least until

the activity draws to a close. As the final words are spoken, someone walks over and turns on a ghetto blaster. I hear Jim Morrison and the Doors sing "The End" and, for a while, I'm time travelling again.

As if these kinds of sensory experiences weren't enough to handle, the play has provided a blunt and powerful portrayal of difficult/unsettling issues (family violence, youth crime, mental illness, substance abuse, aimlessness - and more). Furthermore, the issues are presented in ways that are consistent with the four pillars (early intervention, integration and community-based services and appropriate Aboriginal service) of the redesign process.

I'm very impressed, but also a bit drained. Others are impacted as well. One of the other adults states that the words she's just heard will echo in her head for some time to come. Although I struggle to pay full attention, I listen as the young people go on to talk about their personal connections to the words in the play. Of course, it isn't surprising that these connections exist. After all, the drama is based on stories and themes that young people from across Region 5 have shared with the playwright.

The post-presentation discussion includes animated discussion around a number of points, especially those related to illegitimacy and racial stereotyping. Eventually, energy dwindles and the circle breaks up. On the heels of this break-up, most of the adults move on to a separate room. If the drama is to live up to its potential of

making a contribution to the community planning process, we have a lot of adult-style issues to pay attention to. Different views are expressed. Speech is often fast-paced and sometimes loud. There is so much to say. An ultimatum lingers in the air. But through all of this, there is an underlying interest in working together and eventually this comes to the surface. We find common ground. Decisions are made. A tentative plan is put in place.

Progress has been made, but a toll has been taken. I'm depleted and other people don't look so spry either. I have nothing further to offer today.

After a brief recovery period, the significance of the afternoon begins to sink in. As far as finding a role for young people to play in the redesign process, we've made a significant step forward. Also, we've learned something about doing things in a different way. Getting people from different backgrounds and age groups in the same room at the same time to sort through difficult issues may not exactly be a groundbreaking effort but it's not a common occurrence either. Beyond just getting the issues in the open, we had gone on to air different views. This was done without personal attacks, without anyone storming out of the room. Differences were worked through, follow-up steps were agreed upon - all of this contributing to a sense of hope.

A "Handful of Stars" has developed into an ongoing project for the students at Strathmore Storefront School.

Hasty bill passage spells trouble

By Peter Holle,
President,
The Prairie Centre

The sight of politicians grandstanding to save the environment became commonplace a few years ago. Pollsters advised them that being "green" was hip with the public. Governments across Canada jumped on the bandwagon.

Unfortunately, good intentions don't translate into a better environment. New federal legislation about to descend upon us will do little to help. In fact, it will harm the environment. In the process, we will see another shocking transfer of authority to unaccountable boards of faceless officials.

The federal government has

scheduled a fast tracked for passage of Bill C-65, the Canada Endangered Species Protection Act. In the noble cause of preserving animal diversity, the politicians who crafted this bill loaded it up with controls and powers that will transform the country. A new endangered species will emerge, the Canadian landowner.

Alberta Report magazine described its import for farmers and ranchers:

The Act forbids doing harm to the "critical habitat" of an endangered species. So if a farmer, say, sprays for grasshoppers and kills a burrowing owl in the process, he's liable for a \$250,000 fine and five years in jail. If a government-appointed committee decides

that an animal is migratory, it can arbitrarily drag all the area used by the wandering creature into the federal net. An enforcement officer, "any person" designated by the federal minister, can search and seize without a warrant. Local wildlife authorities who now handle such matters are left out of the loop. The Act enables and encourages bureaucrats and vigilantes to sue anybody they accuse of an offense. If a landowner is hauled into court, he's allowed no compensation at all, not for loss of his land's productive capacity, nor even his legal costs.

When Environment Minister Sergio Marchi was asked to estimate the price tag for his trendy legislation, he confessed, "I haven't figured out that figure." Ironically, the legislation is modeled after a 24-year-old American law that's caused no end of mischief. In the end, the legalistic approach Marchi is copying has achieved little in protecting the environment, a goal most reasonable people

support.

Instead of protecting endangered species, this clumsy approach doomed them. The reaction was predictable. Ranchers and farmers began to "shoot, shovel, and shut up." Fearing trouble, they often destroyed habitats and wildlife to escape the clutches of the new mandarins. Potholes used by ducks and geese were quickly filled.

Second, there were enormous, unforeseen costs. Remember the saga of the spotted owl in Oregon? To protect this bird, thousands lost their jobs when the courts shut down logging over a vast area. Not exactly a smart way to endear people to the environment.

In Canada, programs administered by the provinces have worked co-operatively over fifty years to stabilize and restore many endangered species. A private international foundation, the Nature Conservancy, purchases sensitive habitat to protect wildlife in voluntary transactions with landowners. Contrast that

with the American system we're imitating, which has cost \$13 billion so far and accomplished little.

Unfortunately some provinces are following Ottawa's lead. In Alberta, a new Water Act gives enforcement officers arbitrary power to enter, search and seize private property without a warrant, and they are exempt from liability for any harm their actions cause. Sadly, it's not a precedent. These provisions are borrowed from Alberta's Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act.

If Mother Nature needs help, setting up a market framework to settle these matters works better than compulsion. If environmentalists want a landowner to retire some of his property to encourage habitats, let them pay for the privilege and use contracts and compensation instead of brute government force.

There are intelligent ways to protect the environment. The failed American approach is not one of them.



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FROM THE MAILBAG

Open letter from Jean Charest

Dear Canadians,

Every federal election, Canadians face a choice between various parties and candidates, each with a list of campaign promises designed to get them elected.

I believe that what's missing from Canadian politics is a plan that goes further than the next election, the courage to reach beyond what may be politically expedient today, in order to achieve tomorrow's dreams.

When our country was born, it was people with vision who saw not only a beautiful wilder-

ness, but the potential for a great country, and it was people with courage who took up the challenge of forging that country out of diversity, distance and determination.

As it was with previous governments, the decisions we make today have long-term consequences.

Long-term economic growth and opportunity don't happen by accident. They are the result of vision, planning and deliberate choices.

Since being elected Leader of the Progressive Conserva-

tive Party of Canada three years ago, I have traveled over 300,000 kilometers and visited hundreds of communities.

I have talked with thousands of Canadians about the Canada they want to live in and build.

It is a Canada where hard work is rewarded, where families feel safe in their neighbourhoods, where compassion for the less fortunate is abundant and where the opportunity to learn, to grow and to succeed is available to all. This is the Canada we all strive to

build each and every day.

Somewhere along the line, Canada has taken a detour from these goals.

Our government and our economy have been slow to respond to the changes sweeping the globe.

As a consequence, the opportunity to succeed seems out of reach for too many Canadians. It's time to change that — to chart a bold new course for Canada and to get back on the track to economic and social prosperity.

It is time to revive our sense

of common purpose, to once again set our sights on the far horizon.

My ambition for Canada is not limited. I believe that we can be the best, and that the next generation of Canadians can be more prosperous, safer and more united.

All it will take is the vision to set the right goals, the courage to face the tough questions involved and the plan to meet these challenges.

**Jean Charest,
Federal Conservative
Party Leader**

Health minister discusses AMA agreement

Dear Canadians,

I am writing to correct recent coverage regarding government's agreement with the Alberta Medical Association on the management of the physician fee-for-service pool of funds, over the coming year.

The agreement reached was an agreement on principles that would guide the management of the pool and guide negotiations on a new agreement between the AMA and government, to be in place April 1, 1998. There is no agreement in place to lift the cap on physician fees; no agreement to provide the physicians with an additional \$50 million from the provincial government; and no agreement to increase physician fee levels.

One of the key principles that was agreed upon was that physicians should not experience a fee decrease because of government reinvestment in health and as such we will cover the physician fee-for-service costs resulting from reinvestment in province-wide services, heart and joint replacement surgery and future new reinvestment initiatives. There is however no agree-

ment on the scope or nature of the costs we will cover and this will be negotiated with the AMA. Our projections at this time indicate that it will be approximately \$10 million.

In terms of the projected physician costs above the fee-for-service pool cap for 1996-97 and 1997-98, the agreement recognizes that these could be covered by the AMA through the use of the fee stabilization fund and reserve fund, or if necessary, fee adjustments spread over the 1998-99 year.

In November, 1996 government recognized the need to increase the number of services performed in critical areas such as heart and cancer surgery and other key areas of province-wide services. Additional funding was provided to increase these services as well as hire more nurses and other front line staff. The principles agreed to with the AMA simply recognize that such an increase in services has an impact on physician services as well, and that there is a need to take that cost into consideration.

In the coming weeks the AMA executive will be consulting with physicians on these principles and I will be consulting with my colleagues in government. Soon we will begin negotiations with the AMA that will lead to a new agreement between government and doctors for 1998 and beyond and will address government's share of physician costs resulting from reinvestment decisions. Once the principles have been agreed upon and future funding levels determined, formal public announcements will be made.

In closing it is important to stress that the principles agreed upon do not give fee increases to doctors. They only help to ensure that doctors do not experience fee decreases due to government reinvestment spending. I regret that some individuals have tried to use this agreement on principles to their advantage by putting it in an inaccurate and misleading context.

**Yours sincerely,
Halvar C. Jonson
Minister of Health**

Feds infuriate farmer

Dear Editor,

Recently, 12 Alberta farmers were found guilty of exporting their own grain without a Canadian Wheat Board Export permit and removing their vehicles from Customs after they had been seized. Farmers convicted of both charges were fined a total of \$7,500.

Meanwhile in Ottawa, Justice Minister Allan Rock was rejecting a call from BQ members for legislation to outlaw the Hells Angels and the Rock Machine gangs. The two are engaged in a war to control prostitution and the drug trade in Quebec. Citing the constitution, Rock said that he did not want to be the first Justice Minister to use the notwithstanding clause to override the bikers' right to freedom of association.

What is this country coming to? The Federal Liberals have no hesitation in overriding my right to freedom of association when it comes to deciding who I will contract with to sell my grain. Yet, these same Liberals bend over backwards to protect the bikers who last year blew up a small boy playing in the street.

It is very curious that the Liberals had no hesitation in cancelling the Crow benefit yet are fighting tooth and nail to preserve the illegal CWB monopoly and doing everything they can to protect drug dealers. Could it be that they haven't figured out how to bleed off a portion of the profits from drug trafficking as they have with Western grain?

**Dave Bryan
Central Butte,
Saskatchewan**

Spring ice is rotten ice

Dear Editor,

As the weather warms and days become longer, the ice on local streams, rivers and ponds become increasingly hazardous for young Albertans. The thick ice of late winter and early spring can be a deceptive danger for children and others playing on or near the ice.

Much of public perception about ice safety focuses on thin ice and information about the minimum ice thickness for the safe use of natural ice on ponds and lakes. The public has little appreciation of the dangers of seemingly thick ice in spring. Spring ice is rotten ice.

As ice melts, it undergoes a process known as candling which weakens the ice along vertical channels. This process can dramatically weaken a thick sheet of ice. Ice 40 cm thick which in the middle of winter could support an automobile can become so weak that it may not be able to support the weight of a single child.

Over a four-year period, 15 Albertans died in ice-related incidents out of a total of 140 drownings and water-related deaths.

Almost half of the victims were children with little or no awareness of the risks they faced.

The warm weather and longer daylight hours increase the attraction of local ice a play areas for children.


The running meltwater on top of the ice on streams can also attract young dam builders and engineers.

These attractions and the hidden dangers of spring ice combine to increase the drowning risk for children.

With the beginning of Spring, there is only one way for Albertans to ensure their safety around Alberta waterways — Stay off the ice.

Assume that all ice on rivers, streams, ponds or lakes is unsafe.

Larry Patterson

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Wheat Pool backs out of UGG amalgamation

As a result of last Tuesday's decision by the Manitoba court of Queen's Bench, Alberta Wheat Pool and Manitoba Pool Elevators have announced their decision to immediately withdraw their offer to acquire the shares of United Grain Growers Limited (UGG).

In today's judgement, the Court of Queen's Bench ruled the irrevocable lock-up obtained by the Pools for 6.4 per cent of the outstanding shares of UGG prior to their bid for UGG constituted a 'flip-in event' that could trigger UGG's Poison Pill.

The Pools' decision was made as a result of the severe damage UGG's Poison Pill would inflict on all prairie farmers and all UGG shareholders. The pill would have reduced the value of shares dramatically.

"UGG management has taken

away from shareholders the right to decide for themselves", says Geoff Southwood, Alberta Pool/Manitoba Pool Elevators acquisition team leader. "Thousands of UGG shareholders and western Canadian farmers will be disappointed with the Pools' decision

to terminate this offer. They will no longer be able to participate in our premium offer and the vision for a strong, Canadian farmer-owned business."

All shares tendered to date under the offer will be returned to the shareholders.

CPR accountability sought

The government should review railway performance on an annual basis and penalize rail companies if necessary, says the Advisory Committee to the Canadian Wheat Board.

Poor performance by the railways during the peak grain selling period has cost farmers millions in late loading penalties, lost sales and delivery opportunities. Earlier today, the CWB said it would not be accepting any of the major grades of wheat and durum on the Series C contract.

"We're faced with having to carry over two-million tonnes of grain this year," said Advisory Committee member Bill Nicholson. "The CWB had buyers for our grain, but farmers couldn't sell because the railways didn't perform."

The Committee said the review of rail companies should be undertaken by a legislative committee and encompass the full disclosure of operating and fixed costs. If during the review it is found that the rail companies are not performing, swift action must be taken to force the railways to compensate farmers for the delays.

Costs to haul grain by rail have increased significantly over the past few years. Last year alone, costs to haul grain increased by more than seven per cent. This represents a \$2.27 per tonne increase based on an average distance of haul of 1,026 miles.

During this same period, regulations have been reduced so the railways

cannot be held accountable.

"Under the current Canadian Transportation Act, the farmers of Western Canada have no recourse for poor performance except through a long, drawn out and expensive court case which may or may not recover the losses we have suffered," said Advisory Committee Chairman John Clair.

Farmers have already lost upwards of \$65 million in sales and shipping delay costs. A further \$285 million in sales have been deferred into the next crop year.

"The lost spin-offs for the entire community are huge," said Advisory Committee member Michael Halyk, estimating that his community of Melville, Saskatchewan has lost more than \$1.5 million in revenues. Communities will also have to pay road repair costs because grain will have to be hauled during the spring thaw when greater road damage occurs. "And to think that the railways are suggesting we should pay even more without a guarantee it will improve our service. It's ludicrous."

The Advisory Committee consists of 11 members elected for a four-year term by farmers from across Western Canada. The Committee advises the CWB on issues and policy matters dealing with its operations, and provides communication between western grain producers and the CWB.

Electric Avenues

TransAlta Corporation's president, Stephen G. Snyder is calling on government and industry to accelerate the implementation of deregulation of the province's electric utility sector.

"We must ask ourselves whether we fundamentally believe in deregulation or not. Do we want to accelerate deregulation of the electricity market in this province? It's time for a conscious decision in Alberta," said Snyder.

TransAlta Corporation would support agreement on a shorter time frame for introducing competition and a new process, led by government, that will ensure a business environment driven by customer choice.

In January 1996 the provincial government's Electric Utilities Act came into effect. The basic intention of the legislation is to reduce inefficient and unnecessary regulation. The Act's goal is to introduce greater competition into the monopoly electric utility business.

In the 14 months since the Act's introduction, little progress has been made toward a deregulated market. Snyder said the electric industry needs to move faster if Alberta is to maintain competitive advantage. The process has been slowed by the different requirements of various stakeholder groups — core customers, industry and government.

Manure seminar

The Mountainview Agricultural Planning Group is planning a one day seminar on swine manure management.

The Planning Group for some months, has been researching studies on the effect of industrial hog operations on various aspects of the environment.

As a follow-up, the Planning Group, in conjunction with Olds College, is pleased to host a one day Manure Management Seminar, with particular emphasis on swine manure on April 1, 1997 at Olds College.

Alberta's swine industry has great potential for expansion, now is the time to ensure that not only the most efficient means of production are employed but also that environmentally sound methods of manure handling are used.

Discussions on science and technology currently available as well as research projects under way or proposed are planned in a panel discussion format.

Presenters include: Dr. Barber from The University of Saskatchewan, Dr. Chaw from Olds College, Dr. Dombrosky from the Alberta Research Council and Dr. Abiola from Olds College.

In conjunction with the seminar, the public is invited to tour the Composting Technology Centre facilities at Olds College from 1:00 to 2:30.

This seminar should be of particular interest to all farmers, especially in hog production, as well as Agricultural Engineers, rural municipal officials, researchers in this field and the general public.

For further information and to register for the day, please call by March 29. Phone 337-3434, 335-4581 or 335-4544, Fax: 337-2842.



P.A.R.T.Y. POWER Meeting with DHS students to discuss real life consequences to personal choices were, left to right: Norm Jonasson, Evan Anderson and Marlin Styner as described in page one story.

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On behalf of myself and my family, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the many volunteers who spent countless hours during the recent election. Words cannot express our gratitude.

We want to express also our appreciation to the many who voted Social Credit and who have called indicating their support.

Congratulations to Mr. Marz and his campaign team. Thank you to other candidates for allowing their names to stand, all the best to each one.

Don MacDonald



Lifestyles

Winning Wannamakers



Rick Wannamaker with lead dog "Tubs"

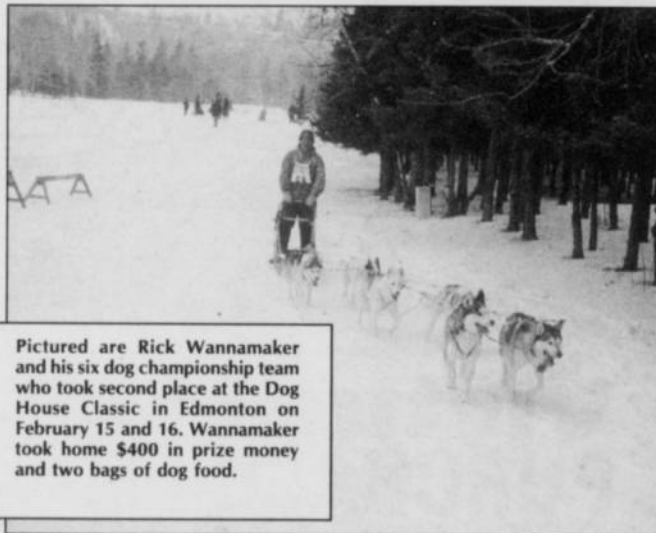
Rachel Wannamaker with "Buddy" and "Tubs" took third place in the two dog class out of a field of 12 at the Canadian Rockies Siberian Husky Club Race and Show in January held at Pioneer Ranch on Crimson Lake.



Photos courtesy Dena Wannamaker



Chelsea Wannamaker and "Cali" won the category of Best Female and Reserve Overall at the Canadian Rockies Siberian Husky Club Race and Show in January. Calamity Jane ("Cali") pictured with Wannamaker, had four puppies March 18.



Pictured are Rick Wannamaker and his six dog championship team who took second place at the Dog House Classic in Edmonton on February 15 and 16. Wannamaker took home \$400 in prize money and two bags of dog food.

The return

By Henry Keulker

In the Bible (John 11:35) it says Jesus wept in front of Lazarus' tomb, who had been dead for four days.

I have always wondered why did Jesus weep. According to the Bible, Jesus told his apostle's the day before that he would raise Lazarus from the dead. In my thinking there was no reason for Jesus to stand there and shed tears. He should have had a big smile on his face.

Strange things do happen and I know that some people sometimes are granted visions. A lady who claims she had visions from God gave the following reason for the weeping: Lazarus had been an important person and many of Jesus' enemies and people of high rank from Jerusalem were present at the funeral celebrations. When Jesus saw them he knew some of them would not believe and keep hate in their hearts even after he showed himself, clearly as God who could put life back into a rotten corpse. He wept because he felt sorry for their poor souls that became guilty of killing their God and human brother.

A few years back a priest, who like myself, was baffled over the weeping of Jesus, told the following humorous story about a corpse coming to life.

He described his little old Irish grandmother who ruled the clan with an iron fist, saying she developed quite a hunch back in the last years of her life. In those days there was no cremation when she died but it was said she was so tough that they would have big trouble getting her well done anyway. The local carpenter made the coffin with tie down rings so that grandma's hunchback could be pulled down, straightening her back and people could see her face as she lay in the coffin. After the family had Granny securely tied down and said their prayers around the coffin in the livingroom, a fight over inheritance and clan leadership broke. There was much fist pounding and foot stamping. Well, that was too much for Granny. She burst her strings and popped up in the coffin - thereby ensuring that she ruled the clan till she was buried.

Environmental Advisory Board Spring cleanup

By Bob Davidson

What is one to do with all those piles of dead yard waste now that there is a 3-bag limit for garbage? Well, there really are quite a few options, other than setting out three bags each garbage day until the mess is all gone. We encourage composting. If you have a yard large enough to produce material then you have room to compost. Compost bins may be purchased,

at cost, from the town office. Booklets on composting are also available, for those who feel they need more information, and alternative bins are also available from Home Hardware, or from many garden centers. If you don't feel you can compost, see if you can find a neighbor who does - and who may be happy to get free composting material. Material may be taken to Olds College, which has a

composting program in place. They accept organic compostable material, and will also take bigger material such as tree branches which can be chipped and composted. If you just can't find a way to dispose of your yard waste in this environmentally helpful way, you can always wait until the Town of Didsbury special disposal day and put the material out for spring cleanup, scheduled to be held in

May. If you're like me, and can't bear to throw useful material in the garbage (and can afford to part with a little money), there are several yard care service companies that will remove your yard waste. You may be lucky and know someone with a chipper/shredder who would be happy to get your branches and larger "compostable" material. For those who want to learn more about composting, the

Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board (DEAB) is offering another composting workshop on April 26 at 10 a.m. at 16 Westheights Drive. Those who plan to attend should be prepared to slog around in the mud.

The Didsbury Environmental Advisory Board, which meets the third Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Town of Didsbury office, welcomes input and new members.

News from the Dragon's Den

Students at DHS spend a lot of time in what is considered the traditional role of the student - in a classroom, with a teacher, studying curriculum set topics.

But students at DHS also spend time learning in ways that are not as routine. A brief sampling of special events over the past week will illustrate this point.

Mr. Todd Klein has been busy travelling to music festivals with his grade nines, Jazz band and Senior Concert band. The students have gone to the Olds & District Kiwanis Music Festival and the Southern Alberta Stage & Concert Band Festival in Calgary. They learned by playing and by hearing other bands play. The students also participated in clinics instructed by Festival adjudicators. The Senior Concert band received an Award of Distinction at the Kiwanis Festival, and they will perform at Provincials in Red Deer on May 22nd.

Mrs. Deb Sellers and Mr. Kent Drever's Physical Education

classes practiced their athletic skills on the ski slopes and cross-country trails of Kananaskis Country. The "classroom of the moguls" taught students some new lessons.

Life's hard lessons, and how to make wise choices, were both graphically outlined to students when Mrs. Lisa Lough, our Preventative Program Coordinator organized the PARTY (Prevent Alcohol and Risk Related Trauma in Youth) program for all senior high students. The speakers, who included a trauma nurse from Red Deer Regional Hospital, local RCMP Officer Myles Peckham and four trauma survivors, were excellent. The grade nines will travel to Red Deer Regional Hospital in May for their experience with this program.

The Career & Life Management students of Mr. Herb Neuberger and Mrs. Deb Sellers were able to hear speakers from the 7th Step Program. This Program involves speakers from all walks of life who share their life

choices, and consequences of decisions, with students, the students found this intriguing and informative.

Psychology students had a teacher other than Mrs. Denise Miller when Mr. John Jackson, Mental Health Therapist at the local mental health office came in for a presentation. Students learned about careers in the mental health field and about various mental illnesses. A student from Mount Royal College in the Social Work Program was co-presenter with Mr. Jackson as part of her work experience.

The English students of Mr. Martin Sacher and Ms. Cat Turner learned about a famous Canadian World War I flying Ace when they travelled to the Canmore Opera House at Heritage Park. The English 23 and 30 students saw a production of "Billy Bishop Goes To War".

Different from the normal routine of one subject, one classroom, one teacher, these special classes are part of what happens in educating the young adults at DHS.

Mount View Lodge News

By Annie Caush

Hi all.

Like everyone else, we're still waiting for spring. I think this winter will go down in history as one of Alberta's longest and coldest.

Here at the Lodge life goes on much as usual. This week on St. Patrick's Day the monthly birthday party was hosted by some faithful Auxiliary members. Those cel-

ebating March birthdays are Ida Gill, Mina Poffenroth, Gladys Smith and Pat Wheaton. "Pat" has the distinction of celebrating her birthday on March 17. Congratulations all of you!

Don Bennett and his group of singers came in one cold afternoon and sang for us.

Our lodge has again been saddened by the death of a resi-

dent - Ruth Dayhin. We extend our sympathy to relatives and friends.

In the hospital we have Margaret Brown and Pat Wheaton - get well soon!

Next Tuesday is the Auxiliary Spring Tea and we look forward to meeting lots of friends on the 25th. Right after that comes Easter and - we trust - spring.

Flood potential looms

The above average snowfall experienced by the Prairie Provinces during the past winter could result in severe flooding as the spring thaw takes place. Spring rains will add to the problem.

Alan Wood, Regional Vice President for the Insurance Bureau of Canada urges residents to take precautions to protect their homes and property from damage that may result from flood or surface water.

"Residential insurance policies do not cover loss or damage from water entering the home from outside, whether from flooding of rivers, streams or lakes, or from seepage through the roof, doors, windows, cracks in basement walls or floors or around the footings", said Wood. "Coverage for this is not available at any price."

Wood suggests homeowners shovel snow away from the home, test their sump pumps to ensure they work, and clean ice and snow away from eavestroughing. "Check your downspouts to make sure they are not plugged with ice (or last fall's leaves), and install downspout extensions to carry water well away from the home."

If you notice that the storm

sewer in front of your home is plugged and a small lake is forming, contact municipal officials.

Wood said, "While many homeowners policies include coverage for sewer backup, this only covers damage from water or sewage entering the home through basement floor drains. Even then, coverage is quite re-

stricted and a dollar limit usually applies".

For further information contact the Insurance Bureau of Canada, 801, 10080 Jasper Avenue, Edmonton, AB, T5J 1V9, Telephone: (403) 423-2212 - Alan Wood, Vice President - Prairies/NWT; Louise Bremness, Manager, Regional Services.

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Bancroft Women's Institute

The March meeting of the Bancroft Women's Institute was held at the home of Alwyn Rowntree in Didsbury.

The meeting opened with the singing of "My Wild Irish Rose" in honor of St. Patrick's Day. Creed and Flag Salute followed. Roll Call, given in reverse order, was answered with a popular or common saying.

Elsie Brander reported on the Hospital Volunteers meeting. Meals on Wheels, one of the oldest services provided by the volunteers, has a clientele of 15 in Didsbury. Plans are under consideration to fill a similar need in Carstairs. Volunteers are also needed to assist with the feeding of patients in the hospital.

The final crib/whist tournament was held March 14 at Midway School. Grand prizes were awarded to the top players in the series of tournaments. The prizes, picnic baskets for the first and books for second, were provided by Fen and Bill Purves-Smith, a most generous couple. Winners were: Crib - Hank Vantetering, first; Marjorie Dowell, second. Whist - Eva Page, first; Debbie Swanson, second.

Plans were made for catering to the Swanson farm and

antique sale on April 12. We hope the weather will be kind to all concerned. Secretary, Eva Page, reported on the Spring Executive meeting of the East Didsbury Constituency. The combined East and West Constituency Conference is slated for April 3 at Cremona. Bancroft will assist with registration. East Didsbury will hold their Handicraft Tea at the Anglican Church Hall, Didsbury, Saturday, April 19.

District 5 Workshop report was given by Pat Vantetering. Special speakers were District 5 Director Bernice Willis, Alberta Women's Institutes President-Elect Maxine Brigley, Mr. Gary Fpornitz, Principal Bowden High School, who spoke on computer technology in the schools, and local writer and humorist, Noreen Olson.

Bancroft W.I. will celebrate its 55th Anniversary in April with a special members dinner.

Elsie Brander conducted a bit of fun - "Name Bingo". Winner was Mary McCulloch. Hostess Tea Prize went to Jean Swanson.

Next meeting will be held April 14 at the home of June Lore, 1:30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

Letters are welcome

Your comment on content or issues of interest to members of our community are welcome. All letters must be signed, (signature to be printed), include a phone number and address. All letters may be edited for brevity, clarity and libel.

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Richard Marx

I would like to thank all those who supported me in work, resources, and prayers during the provincial election campaign.

Also a big thank you to all of you who made such a great effort to get to the polls and vote under such difficult weather conditions. I really appreciate the work of all the municipal and county public works people who made every attempt possible to get people plowed out so they could go and exercise their right to vote.

A special thanks to my wife Jan and our family for their support as well as Marj Vetter, my campaign manager, Marilyn Tetz and Linda Bell my office managers and volunteer coordinators as well as a multitude of very dedicated volunteers from throughout the constituency.

The swearing in ceremony is scheduled for Monday, April 7, at 1:30 p.m. I am looking forward to getting to the task of representing our great new constituency.

Richard Marx

Dental service event scheduled

Open Wide Alberta is a one-day free event designed to deliver, free of charge, basic dental services, particularly relief from pain, to Alberta citizens who cannot afford these services, are not on social assistance and are not members of a dental plan. This program is also available to citizens over the age of 65 years, who have had their basic health care benefits reduced by recent government budget cuts.

Dr. Mike Lowry, Central Area Dentist Coordinator for the program, outlines the type of treatment and care patients will receive. "The priorities of treatment are: relief of pain; restoration of function; restoration of esthetics and elevation of dental education. We expect to treat patients from Camrose and Wetaskiwin in the north, to Didsbury in the south, Rocky Mountain House

in the west, and Provost in the east, along with citizens from Red Deer itself."

"All potential patients must be pre-screened by the Salvation Army or their regional health authority," says Dr. Patricia Allewell, Chair of the Alberta Dental Association's Open Wide Alberta '97 Committee. "Upon acceptance," she added, "patients will receive a coupon to present to a specific dentist or dental clinic at a specific time. No patient will be accepted by a dentist or dental clinic for treatment without a valid coupon."

Individual participating dentists and clinic locations are not being identified, to eliminate potential line-ups and possible disappointments. Appointments will be made locally until Monday, March 31.

Prairie Partners 4-H club news

By Jonathan Dowell

Wow, we're already a couple months into 1997.

Well, a summary of our club's activities since the start of 1997 starts with our first meeting of '97 at Reboul's house where we decided to get new club jackets (now being made by Theresa McNeil). We also decided to do a bottle and battery drive and to work at the Lion's Recycling Centre in Didsbury.

On January 19 a bunch of our club members attended a District Funspiel where we all did well.

On February 9 we had a Public Speaking Workshop at Mr. and Mrs. Steven's house where we practiced our speeches.

On February 13 our next monthly meeting was held at Jill Steven's house. At this meeting we got sized for our jackets and discussed many

issues.

On February 14 a couple of senior members went on a ski trip to Nakiska.

On February 16 we had our club speak-offs at Lone Pine Hall. Our judges this year were: (Juniors) Laurie Hunter, Chris Fox, Clem Kirk and (Seniors) Lorraine Ortman, Lisa Loewen and Donna Morton. These nice women gave up their time to come listen and judge our speeches. The winners in the junior speak-offs were Jill and Karlee Stevens with Bradley Dowell and Stacey Hannah alternates. In the senior speak-off, Jonathan Dowell and Chrissy Jochems were first and second, and Scott and Andrea Schmick were alternates. These people advanced to area competition on March 9 at the Westcott Community Hall. At

this competition we all did very well. Chrissy Jochems won an alternate spot in the senior division.

On February 27 four members went to a Regional Curling Funspiel in Calgary where they won all their games but lost out for first place by points.

On February 28 a bunch of our senior members went to a First Aid Clinic in Carstairs at the school where they had fun.

We then jump to March where we had a monthly meeting on March 13 at Cody and Megan Dowell's house. At this meeting we decided on dates for tours of Spruce Meadows and a trip to Rodeo Royal on March 21 as well as some judging clinics, mock shows and district events. So those are all things to look forward to in the next coming weeks and everyone have a good Easter.

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Sheryl Rothert, is a wife, a mother, and an advocate of healthy food choices with a B.Sc., B.Ed. is Home Economics. With more than a decade's worth of teaching experience, Rothert now offers tips and recipes for today's busy family.

Here it is - that CHOCOLATE dessert I promised for your Nutritional eating in the month of March! It's nice to have these treats once in awhile along with that healthy eating - just don't overdo it. I always try to have something nutritional about the desserts I make, anyway. There's no reason why that healthy food shouldn't taste good, too! Do keep it up, also - March as Nutrition Month is a reminder to eat well AND healthy ALL year 'round!

Chocolate Oat Bars

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ½ c. margarine, low-fat | ½ c. flour |
| ¼ c. white sugar | ½ c. quick-cooking oats |
| ¼ c. brown sugar, packed | ½ c. semi-sweet chocolate chips |
| 1 egg | 1 Tbsp. margarine, low-fat |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | |

Preheat oven to 350 F.

1. Cream together ½ c. margarine and the sugars until light and fluffy.
2. Beat in egg and vanilla; stir in flour and rolled oats.
3. Spread in a square pan prepped with canola spray.
4. Bake for 20 - 25 min., or until browned.
5. Let cool for 10 min. on a wire rack.
6. In top of double boiler, over simmering water, melt the chocolate chips and 1 Tbsp. margarine.
7. Spread over baked mixture and cool completely before cutting into bars.

***Makes 3 dozen small bars

Changes: Try other flavours of chips, such as mint, peanut butter; mix peanut butter with chocolate!

TIP of the week: This makes an easy addition to a packed lunch. Make a double batch, since it will go well as an after school snack, also.

Art show draws near

By Joyce Mullen

The Annual Art Show is less than two weeks away, and the cut off date for entrants to have their name on the program is March 31.

As announced earlier, the adult section will not be judged this year, due to lack of entrants last year in original work. These entries however, are still eligible for voting in the People's Choice award, although they will be for exhibit only.

Those entering should phone Joyce Mullen at 335-3886, or Elsie Archer at 335-3867 to have their names on the program. Post entries will be taken at the door if necessary and pictures are to be at the Complex between 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on April 5.

There is an entry fee of \$1 per picture, limit of 3 in the Junior section, the only one being judged this year. Exhibit only is free.

Doors open at 1 p.m. and close at 7 p.m. The judges adjudication of the Juniors will be at 3 p.m. This is also a sale, for those interested in purchasing art, and guest contributors are Barbara Rivers of Eagle Hill, Gwen Day of Carstairs, Elsie Archer, Laurie Winter, Cindi Hull and Joyce Mullen of Didsbury and Marjorie Vetter of Three Hills. Others may be added by March 31.

The Didsbury Porcelain artists will also have an exhibit of their current work, and guest artist is Doug Steven of Didsbury with his carvings of birds and wild animals.

Zella Bara Rose W.I. Girls Club

By Randilee Fisher

Our club has been very busy this past month and a half. Our Bob The Beaver Breakfast was a great success due to all those who attended. Our club has been doing a great job on the pop bottle drives and Regal sales. Crafts have included sewing place mats, making keepsake

boxes, photo frames and Canadian Food Guide Menus.

We are currently busy getting ready for our Achievement Day April 12 and Camp Weekend April 25.

Our next meeting will be held March 22 and we will be working on our public speaking and music.

Calling all rodeo riders

On May 23, 24 & 25, 1997, the Four State Stockyard Team Rodeo will bring together Stockyards and their employees in a Stockyard team battle for a \$45,000 purse. This is the only Stockyard Team Rodeo and it's run with ranch rodeo rules, with some very interesting changes.

The 'books' opened on March and only the first 30 teams, with entry fees submitted, will compete. Books officially close on April 23, 1997. For further information, the rules and regulations, or to register a team, contact Linda at (417)325-6393, Diamond, Montana.

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Faces

a brief glimpse at the people and events in our community



stereo entertainment set. Adam Hunsperger, who tallied 31 subscription sales, won second prize of a Panasonic Walkman. It was the best year to date for the program and the students. Harder said that after prize and cost disbursements, the school will realize a net windfall of approximately \$6,200. The money will be used for programs, special purchases and funds for activities for Westglen students.

Top two
Winners of the top seller awards from Westglen's annual magazine sales fundraiser were announced by coordinator Katie Harder last week. Jesse Ahlgrim, who sold 60 subscriptions during the drive, took top prize of a



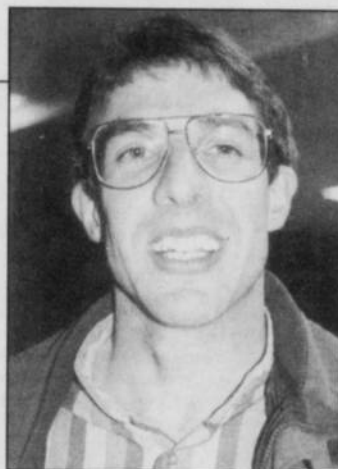
Mystery Dinner Theatre

It's that time of year- the annual Trade Show is just around the corner. Along with it comes the Art Show, pancake breakfasts and talent shows and an annual tradition: the Friday night murder mystery production. Hosted by the Didsbury Figure Skating Club, this year's show "Shady Mountain Murder" penned by Elaine Thompson takes theatre fans to a ski resort setting. Audience participation is one of the perks of the show, with ballots issued for votes on who you think may have "dunnit". Darcy Tipping (Dave Faucher) is a shy bartender who's taken a shine to one of the ladies visiting the lodge. Kyle Gallant (Brent Youngs) is one of those athletic, competitive, aggressive sorts in training to be a dentist. In addition to

being a smooth talker and a stingy lad, Gallant is also painfully high on himself. Chad Jorgenson (Don Wygiera) is (some say- although we're not saying who 'some' are) playing to type as a playboy ski instructor with a penchant for playing creative practical jokes. Amanda Golden (Sue Kary) is a hopeful art student pining for the day when 'Mr. Right' will sail into her life and her heart; romance will win the day, but 'Goidy' requires her knight in shining armour be wealthy or it's a no-go. Crystal Bradley (Sue St. Jacques) is one of those quiet serious types enrolled in pre-med studies. Suzie O'Connell (Janet Gole) is a successful designer supporting her student-status husband, Blair O'Connell, also a pre-med student, whose non-athletic sombre demeanour places him painfully out of place at a ski resort. Brett Thornton (Mike Phillips) is a real charmer; a boastful egotistical law student who thinks the right amount of money solves any problem. Rex Leighman (Steve Dietrich) is a jock attending university on a sports scholarship- but there is some doubt he will ever buckle down enough to actually graduate. Megan Keats (Jordan Tuggle) is a sneaky flirt who finds telling the truth to be a huge challenge. And what murder mystery can be completed without the services of a wily detective? Linda Pothier plays Det. Sandy Field, who, with your help, will solve the dastardly crime we happen to know will be committed at the traditional Trade Show opener. Last year's edition was a roaring success, and organizers remind those interested in catching this year's show that tickets (\$18 apiece) are limited to the first 200 takers. For a fun night out which also serves to support your local figure skating talent, contact Linda Pothier (335-9931) or Cindy Collinge (335-4110) for information and reservations.

Nominate a volunteer

Ken Luck sees the work of Didsbury's volunteer base in action on a regular basis and hopes Didsburians will step forward to nominate deserving entrants in the 1997 distribution of awards to recognize their efforts. Categories include Rural Volunteer Award, Outstanding Volunteer Award, Didsbury Hospital Volunteer (18 and under) Award and Volunteer Family Award. Nomination forms are available at the town office and presentations to the winners will take place at the April 22 town council session. The deadline for submitting applications is tomorrow (March 27).



SUPER KIDS



Ross Ford Elementary School Super Kids March 13, 1997 - Thomas Archer, William Archer, Bailey Baerg - missing, Brandon Burch, Joshua Campbell, Krystin Cantelo - missing, Tara Faucher, Kes Graden - missing, Alia Hurst, Josie Kinch, Jodi Krebs, Brenden Meston, Ryan Miller, Jenni Neufeld, Nick Pochapsky - missing, Cody Ray - missing, Candace Steward. Missing from last week's picture - T.J. English.

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CPR sets grain moving record

By Barry Scott

In an effort to recover from the worst winter in nearly a century, the Canadian Pacific Railway has set an all-time company record for February by moving 11.1 billion gross ton-miles (GTMs) of freight in Canada.

"This is almost 2.3 billion GTMs more than in January and 600 million GTMs more than last February," said Robert Ritchie, president and chief executive officer. "This demonstrates that our recovery plan, which involves leasing an additional 140 locomotives, accelerating locomotive maintenance and concentrating initially on high volume grain corridors, is working."

In Western Canada the extreme winter weather, during December and January, hampered shipments of all commodities due to avalanches which blocked mountain passes for 16 days and record cold which stalled aging locomotives and required shorter trains to maintain safe air-brake pressure. As a result, January GTMs were off 13 per cent from the same period last year.

However, with the arrival of newly leased locomotives and improved weather conditions in February, the railway was able to catch up on some backlog by increasing

its total GTMs in Canada by 26 per cent over January and by 6 per cent over February of last year.

Despite recent criticism about the amount of grain delivered to Vancouver, the CPR moved 9 per cent more total grain tonnage this February than last February, if shipments to Thunder Bay and Quebec are included. On the same basis, the railway moved 15 per cent more grain in February than this January, much of which is attributable to catch-up from earlier winter delays.

Shipments of grain into the Port of Vancouver during February were approximately 6 per cent lower than last February but 58 per cent higher than this January. During February the railway averaged more than 1,700 cars a week into the port, peaking at 2,244 cars in the third week.

The railway is currently meeting its 2,100 car-per-week targets set in February during discussions with the grain industry.

"While weather has been a major factor in the problems of moving grain to the west coast, contributing just as much to the problem is the inefficient, non-commercial, highly-regulated and unaccountable grain system we have in place today," said Mr. Ritchie.

"Rather than add another inquiry, as has been suggested, to the

never-ending series of examinations of grain transportation, we need to move quickly to a deregulated, fully-commercial environment with built-in incentives and penalties for all the participants.

"There is a growing consensus in the grain industry to accelerate commercialization by moving up the periodic review scheduled for 1998 and 1999 so that systemic problems can be addressed now."

"This would have a better chance of achieving corrective action than any inquiry, so let's get on with it," said Mr. Ritchie.

Among the systemic problems to be addressed are regulated maximum rates; car ownership and allocation; low-density lines and terminals; a \$10,000-a-mile costing penalty for rationalizing low-density lines; complicated costing regulations; and a lack of accountability at all levels of the system.

Added to these are public policy issues that act as disincentives to long-term railway capital investments.

"Between 1995 and 1998 we will have invested nearly \$2 billion for 200 new high-power locomotives, thousands of new cars, as well as new track, terminals and information systems," said Mr. Ritchie. "But it frustrates me that it will take

us 21 years to write-off many of these investments while competitors like ships in Canada can do it in three years, and railways in the U.S. can do it in eight years."

In Canada, while Great Lakes ships have life spans equal or greater than rail assets, they are able to write off their assets in as few as three years compared with 21 years for railways.

Mr. Ritchie also said it was frustrating to pay diesel fuel taxes that support roads for truckers while railways pay for their own rights-of-way.

"The difference between fuel taxes in Canada and the U.S. would fund 30 new locomotives annually," he said. "The difference between diesel fuel taxes in the U.S. and Saskatchewan alone would fund an additional eight locomotives annually. At 15 cents a litre, Saskatchewan's diesel fuel tax is the highest in Canada."

A recent survey in the Prairie provinces indicates that about 70 per cent of respondents agreed "the biggest contribution provincial governments could make to solving the grain problem would be to reduce taxes in the grain handling and transportation system."

The west's best

What's the best new food product in the west? Find out at the Western Canadian Conference on the Food Industry being held in Edmonton on May 5 - 6, 1997. Food companies enter the Western Canadian competition by submitting an application by April 1, 1997. Information is available from Alberta Food Processors Association (403)444-2272. Products are judged by a panel of food experts including a food broker, retailer, food service distributor and food writers. The judging criteria include quality, packaging, saleability and marketing plan. The top three products are recognized and presented an award at the conference. All participants get feedback from the judges. There is also an opportunity for the products to be featured at the conference reception on the evening of May 5. The competition is a learning opportunity for entrepreneurs and good publicity for the winning products.

RELIGION

Way of Life - Easter, a perplexing dichotomy

Strange things are going on the Christian community this week. On one day, the congregations are celebrating and waving palm branches and singing with exuberance. On another day Christians are sitting in somber quietness, sharing pieces of bread and cups of juice. On a third day they are crying because of death. And on a fourth



Pastor Bruce WIEBE

day they are bursting with joy because of life. And all of this in one week. The dichotomy is perplexing. Sometimes I wish that the Christian church would make up its mind about what this Easter week really means.

The events of the Easter season are at the very core of what it means to be a Christian. God's work of salvation

is enacted through these events. Yet, the crowds which shouted "Hosanna!" only a few days ago as Jesus rode by on a donkey, will soon shout "Crucify him!", as Jesus stands before them wearing a crown of thorns. Both salvation and sin are fully present.

We also live in a world in which a genuine celebration of God's presence co-exists with tragedy and loss and unbelief. We love and yet we hate life. We build and yet we tear down.

We enjoy and yet we long for something else. We give freely and yet we are self-centered. We dream and yet we fear. We worship and yet we continue to sin.

It is into this dichotomy that is our lives that Jesus our King and Saviour comes, riding humbly on a donkey and bearing the weight of the cross. And through these events, Jesus teaches us how to live with vulnerability and with courage in a world that is not yet redeemed.

For each of us there is the good and the bad, the painful and the joyful, the anticipated and the dreaded, the already and the yet to come. These many and varied life experiences are not to be avoided or to be sought at all costs, but rather to be accepted and understood in light of God's plan of salvation. Yes, God is using the events of these Easter days, and the events of our lives, as an invitation to salvation and faithfulness.

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ANNUAL MEETING HELD

Mountain View Credit Union held their 20th annual meeting in Beiseker on March 20, 1997. Attendance was great considering the inclement weather on the first day of spring. Service awards were presented to Ken Anderson, 20 years, (Branch Manager- Cremona); Gord Kerby, five years (Branch Manager- Didsbury); Dianne Barlow, three years, (Office Supervisor- Olds); and Barb Aarts, three years, (Administrative Assistant- Olds). Missing from photo: Kelly Pusey, 15 years (Office Supervisor- Sundre and Stan Hobbs, three years, (Loans Officer- Sundre).

Photo by Ann Sheridan

Olds College nabs top jerky

According to over 100 Western Canadian Meat Processors Olds College beef jerky is superior in taste, texture, color and aroma over that produced across western Canada.

"We won out over a large number of entries under the 'People's Choice' category of the competition. The individuals judging the product were all meat industry personnel," explains Meat Processing Program Coordinator, Richard Johnson. Johnson attended the biannual ceremony recently held in Banff, Alberta for meat industry and business representatives across the prairies.

While the award is certainly

a welcome testimony for Olds College's Meat Processing Program, it is not the only one of its kind ever to be bestowed on the College for superior meat production.

Olds College's Beef Jerky won first place two years ago at the same convention along with many other awards for quality ham, bacon and sausage production. "This year we concentrated on producing our jerky alone for the competition, and so it was our only entry," says Johnson, adding the jerky entered was produced solely by a former student of the Olds College program, Scott Dundas.

Olds College's current Beef

Jerky Project was established in 1995 with assistance from many industry partners.

Auction Market Reports

INNISFAIL

Market report for March 19, 1997. 1,704 head.

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700 lb. Steers 87 to 98.25; Heifers 80 to 90.

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Weather report

From Weather Station at Olds College for week ending Monday, March 24, 1997.

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For Week

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Normal 5.9 mm.

For Month

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Normal 19.2 cm.

Annual

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Normal 129.2 cm.

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Direct selling

By Kathy Louther

You can generally sell your product one of two ways, direct or indirect selling.

• Direct Selling:

Direct selling is when you as the food producer sell directly to your customers. You may do this through: farmer's markets, catalogues, home parties, door-to-door sales, telephone sales and craft shows.

• Indirect Selling:

Indirect selling is when you sell your product to someone who is not the end user. For example, you may sell your product through a retail store like grocery chains, specialty food shops, gift shops, restaurants, hotels and so on. A distributor (wholesaler) or broker (agent) may be required with this method of selling.

• What is a Distributor?

A distributor or wholesaler is someone who purchases your product and then sells it to retail stores. As the producer, you must still convince each individual store to buy your product.

• What is a Broker?

A Broker or agent is someone who provides a sales force to sell your product.

It should be noted that large retailers will offer only purchase

through distributors or wholesalers. Although direct selling eliminates the middleman, the marketing and distribution of the product is left to the producer. Never forget to calculate what your time is worth!

• What does a Distributor need to know?

Distributors need certain information about your product in order to sell it:

- A product description
- Is the product seasonal?
- What is the shelf-life?
- What is the suggested retail selling price?

(Retail stores take about 30 per cent, on average, from the retail selling price)

- What type of packaging is used?
- Who takes the loss if the packaging breaks?
- How is the product currently marketed?

This information can be found in an excellent newsletter called the *Rural Processor: Linking Rural Processors with Research, Technology & Information*. It is produced by Rural Development Specialists - Business and Agri-Food Development Consultants with Alberta Agriculture Food and Rural Development.

Value on video

New research in grading beef is proving to be less subjective and more scientific. Video imaging analysis technology from the Lacombe Research Centre offers the promise of a highly accurate and objective method of beef grading.

"Using special cameras and computer programs, researchers are fine-tuning an evaluation system to fit into today's and tomorrow's processing line speeds," says John Basarab, beef management specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. "This grading method means consumers can be more confident in the grade of meat they are purchasing."

The video imaging setup uses two cameras at different points in the production line. The first one views the warm carcass to get a fix on its yield, quantity. The following day, a second camera casts a cool eye over the now cool carcass. It sweeps over the meat to pick out such quality features as colour and marbling.

The data from the two cameras are correlated and an objective analysis of quantity and quality emerges with an all-but-invisible margin of error.

"The system is undergoing a major test in a real-life situation, with results due early in 1997," says Alan Tong, a computer vision and modelling scientist with Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (MFC) who designed the system. "Among the considerations facing the designers are effective waterproof and heat-proof cameras. Tests are planned for this year to further validate the results and develop a predictive equation for yield estimation."

"If test results are favourable, commercialization of the technology should take place in 1997. Project support has been provided by the Canadian Cattlemen's Association, the Canadian Meat Council and Marketing and Industry

Services Branch of AAFC."


The Centre is also scrutinizing the applications this technology has for the pork industry. Researchers hope that video imaging can help evaluate meat quality by looking at color, marbling, and texture.

Researchers hope to develop an evaluation system and new probes that will give a more accurate estimate of pork carcass value.

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Proper Planning Is Important To Any Home-Improvement Job

Before the birds begin to sing in the trees, homeowners already have their spring home-improvement projects planned. Whether it's replacing windows, reshingling the roof or installing new flooring, they're ready to take action as soon as the weather gets warm.

Whether people are doing the work themselves or hiring professionals, proper planning is an important part of any home-improvement project. When hiring a contractor, people need to know exactly what they want done, so they can meet with professionals, explain the work and

get realistic estimates. Do-it-yourselfers need to plan ahead to ensure they have set aside enough time for the project, have the right equipment and materials, and understand the work that needs to be done.

Having the proper equipment means not only having the tools specifically designed for the task at hand, but also having tools that are in good condition. It is a good idea for do-it-yourselfers to check that tools are in working order before beginning a project. All handles should be fixed firmly into the tool's working end, and jaw teeth, cutters and blades should be sharp. Any tools that are damaged should be thrown away.

If, when planning a project, do-it-yourselfers find that they don't have a tool they need, they can buy, rent or borrow it. Renting or borrowing allows them to see if they like a particular model or brand, making the decision easier when they finally decide to buy the tool. If

people want to buy the tool, many home-improvement professionals recommend going to a knowledgeable local dealer. While prices may not be as inexpensive as those in a catalog, do-it-yourselfers will be able to get a feel for the tool before buying it.

After getting the proper equipment, people should follow the manufacturer's instructions when using each tool. Tools should be kept clean, dry and away from excessive heat. Before using a tool near electricity, people should shut off the current. They also should use steady pressure on jaws or cutters, instead of rocking the tool. If they are doing continuous work, it is a good idea to wear gloves or use comfort grips to help avoid getting blisters or calluses.

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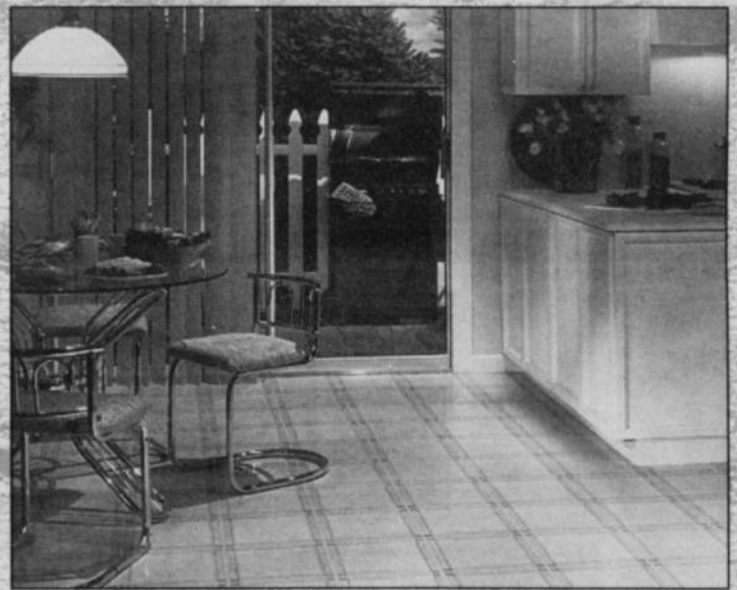
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Redecorating Tips to Breathe Fresh Life Into Your Home

(MPS) A Springtime is not only a good time to clean out last year's cobwebs, it's also a good time to rethink your home's look, to freshen and consider changes for the better.

Homeowners today consider redecorating and remodeling much more often than did their parents, who were more likely to live by the maxim "if it isn't broken, don't fix it." "Cocooning," the proliferation of how-to books, videos and television programs, and a retail environment that supports such efforts are just a few reasons for this trend.

Stuart Beattie, vice president of styling and design for Mannington Resilient Floors, says that the downside to all the redecorating tools and choices available is that homeowners can get overwhelmed. "They get stuck in a dated look, because they think redecorating will be expensive and too difficult or they simply don't know where to start," he says.

Homeowners can overcome such apprehension by rethinking their approach. "Remodeling or redecorating doesn't have to be overwhelming. Think fun and creative, and concentrate on select projects that will make a real difference, rather than attempt to change the entire house," Beattie says. Some of his recommendations include:

- **Change the look of a major surface in your home.** Altering the color of your walls in a main living area or a few select rooms can change the personality and emotional resonance of your home greatly. Choose a color that's meaningful to you, makes you feel good or reflects your personality. Brightly painted walls for the den or entryway can bring drama, humor or even a sense of adventure to your home. Colors like deep red, smoky taupe, rich sage greens or sun-washed yellows communicate sophistication and warmth and give presence to a room. Wallpapering is another great way to add pattern, color and/or texture to a home.

- **Think of your home's flooring as**

a big canvas. Consider the look you want to create and which materials will best help you achieve your masterpiece. Resilient flooring is endlessly stylish, versatile, functional and offered in a wide price range. Establishing a country or natural look? There's faux stone, granite, wood and terra-cotta patterns. If you're going for a garden feel, try a floral or leaf design. If classic, Gothic or traditional design is more your style, there are more marble and geometric variations in vinyl than in all of Greece.

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- **Replace a regular, old window with a new, large, standard or custom window to bring the best decor enhancer around into your home - light.** A larger window or series of windows will help to bring the outdoors in (hopefully this is a plus) and make the room seem larger.

- **Restructure existing architecture for a new look and improved home function.** Enclose a porch or extend a deck for a more functional entertainment space. Create a dramatic difference by changing a traditional doorway or a dividing room wall into a symmetrical arch.

- **Reupholster dated, worn or unexciting pieces of furniture to bring new life to a room.** Trade in blah beige upholstery for an exciting, rich fabric like brocade or tulle; go for a fabric in a favorite shade with an embossed pattern for a simple, yet dynamic, statement.

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Small Can Be Beautiful: Tips for Decorating Small Spaces

Every man's and woman's home should be his or her castle, but not everyone has a home with castlelike proportions. If your home's scale is on the diminutive side, here are some tips from the design experts at Laura Ashley to give those small rooms a large dose of spaciousness and charm:

- Keep the color palette simple. A monochromatic color scheme or one that uses only two dominant colors will visually stretch space. Although the color palette may be monochromatic, you still can create visual interest by incorporating different textures and patterns.

- Use double-duty furniture to save space. Choose versatile pieces, like Laura Ashley's overscaled Cressford ottoman that provides extra seating but

also serves as a coffee table. Upholstered dining chairs, like Laura Ashley's Berkeley chairs, can function equally well in a dining room and as extra seating when pulled into a living room.

- Minimize the need for storage pieces by putting in built-in storage. Built-ins not only house a tremendous amount, but also can camouflage space-stealing architectural elements, like vertical beams or broken-up walls.

- Reflective surfaces can "fool the eye" into thinking that a room is bigger than it is. Using mirrors is an old trick that works. So does putting glass doors on cabinets and bookshelves.

- Don't automatically put all of your furniture against the walls to try to make a room look bigger. Creative placement of

furniture like floating it in the center of the room often makes small spaces look larger.

- Take advantage of irregularities in the room's proportions for efficient furniture placement. For example, a bay window makes a lovely spot to nestle a small sofa or chair. An awkward wall niche may be just the place to put a desk and chair or a small table. The end of a room, particularly if the ceiling slopes down, can be a cozy nook for a bed.

- Instead of space-grabbing furniture, utilize space-saving options, like shelves. For example, if there's no room for a night stand, add a long shelf behind the head of the bed or along the adjacent wall. Or, choose furniture that also can provide hidden storage. A skirted round or square plywood table can hide a lot of clutter.

- If certain rooms, like formal dining rooms, are rarely used, consider temporary furniture. A folding table covered with a colorful table cover, for

example, can accommodate a dinner party, then be tucked away so the room can be used for other purposes. Another dining-room option is a table that can expand with leaves.

- Avoid elaborate, heavy window treatments that may overwhelm a small room. Choose simple window treatments, preferably ones that are installed within the window frame, like Roman blinds or shades, and make sure they let in lots of light to visually expand the room.

- Use wallpaper creatively to make rooms look larger and also taller. For example, Laura Ashley's Colourwash wallpaper adds interesting texture, instead of busy pattern, and Colourwash Stripe wallpaper gives the illusion of higher ceilings. Wallpaper borders also create the illusion of width.

- Keep the floors understated. Opt for plain carpet, like wool sisal, or bare wood floors with small accent rugs rather than busy-patterned carpets.



A SIMPLE COLOR SCHEME, like navy and ivory, will visually stretch space in a small room. Built-in storage, like these floor-to-ceiling bookcases, helps minimize the amount of furniture you need, and their reflective surfaces work like mirrors to "fool the eye."



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Calculations in the cattle market

At face value, basis is the difference between the proper futures price and the local farm gate price for any commodity. Fancy calculations can be left to competitive buyers; for the producer, basis is just futures less the price at the farm gate.

"Cattle basis is a dramatically changing value," says Doug Walkey, market specialist with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. "Over the past cou-

ple of years, slaughter cattle basis has ranged from roughly \$1/cwt all the way up to \$15. This variability can affect producer's profit.

"For example, if futures price is \$72, the Canadian equivalent is about \$97.20. With a \$1 basis, producers would enjoy a \$96.20 price at the local market. With a \$15 basis, the local sale price would be only \$82.20."

While basis is important, it also shows how to react to a market. If

offered a forward contract with the \$1 basis, producers would be wise to grab it. Cattlemen have seen \$1 basis only four times since 1990 and only for a few days at a time. On the other hand, if offered an unattractive \$15 basis, this may be a contract you want to refuse.

"Basis is only one of the factors," adds Walkey. "If there is a high and profitable futures price behind a \$15 basis, producers may find it advantageous to accept. Usu-

ally a wide basis is a sign that the forward contract isn't the best choice in this market. A wide basis suggests using futures or options to lock in price and allow the basis to narrow as cattle are finished."

A very narrow basis shouldn't be passed up when prices are trending higher. Producers may want to sign the forward contract to lock in the basis and then re-own the cattle on the futures or options market to participate in climbing

prices. A producer, on the other hand, may decide to sign a basis contract to hold the narrow basis, a rare occurrence in cattle circles, and then watch prices rise with some confidence having half the marketing done already.

"There are many strategies that work in cattle markets, these are only a few examples," says Walkey. "Local market or beef specialists at district offices are there to help producers, just call."

Dormant season grazing ideas

Dormant season grazing allows cows to find all or part of their own feed in the late fall, winter or early spring months when forages are dormant. For this to happen without sacrificing the cows' health and productivity, advance planning is required.

"In order to have enough high-quality dormant pasture to meet the nutritional requirements of a beef cow, a weaned calf or a yearling, a plan must be in place at the beginning of the growing season so that forage can be 'banked' for use later on," says Lorne Erickson, crop specialist/forages with Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. "Simply having an extra pasture and allowing it to grow all season may satisfy the quantity requirement, but the quality of such

mature grasses may not allow the animals to perform to their potential. Applying some growing season management, such as a well-timed hay cutting or grazing and a mid-season application of fertilizer can ensure that the banked forage is of high-quality."

Once the bank of forage has been established, it can be drawn on in a number of ways. In the fall, the dormant grass can be used first for weaning calves and then later the dry cows can come in and clean up what the calves left behind. If the snow gets too deep or crusted, the cows can finish their clean up in the spring. When the dormant grass is not used in the fall, dry cows can graze it through the snow with a little training and perhaps some supplemental feed. Cows can calve

and feed on it in April and May or it can be grazed by yearlings or cows and calves starting in April. Besides providing a low-cost way to wean calves, banked forages have the potential to shorten the feeding season and lengthen profits.

"Ranchers know that winter feed is the single largest expense they incur in producing a beef calf," says Erickson. "A significant portion of winter feeding costs are made up of labor, fuel and machinery costs involved in harvesting, hauling, feeding and removing manure."

"Between 30 and 60 per cent of feed cost is a direct result of these handling expenses. Every additional day of grazing into the dormant season frees up that day's handling cost in stored feeds. Those dollars can be used for extra graz-

ing acres or for better grazing management so that even more dor-

mant season days are available next year.

Tough winter - Fighting Scours

By Don Milligan,
Beef Specialist,
Alberta Agriculture

By now a good majority of people are in the midst of calving. Those who have moved calving to later in the year, will be saying "what a good decision that was." In light of all the new snow I would have to agree, if I was fighting the snow and had a bunch of scours. This is what we can hope doesn't happen, but realistically, it will happen to some. Scours is a management disease - not necessarily poor management, but management by circumstance like this year. I know this has been one of the toughest, if not the toughest winter I can remember. So with all the snow, there hasn't been the opportunity for people to get the cows out of the bigger fields. As a result there will be some overcrowding and now some moisture which adds up to

good conditions for scours. If you do get hit or are worried about it, get your veterinarian to make some suggestions as to what will help.

I would try to spread them out, bed real well (I know straw is expensive) and treat hard and early.

Another drawback about a winter like this, is that cows are down in condition. This can lead to problems such as slower rebreeding and reduced milk production. In this case I would suggest grain, because per pound of feed, it is the cheapest source of nutrients. Then I would wean early, thus allowing cows to regain body condition for next year.

In some cases, people had been depending on free choice mineral mixes to provide the necessary selenium. This is not going to get all the cows. The reason is, the amount of cows going to mineral and amount of mineral eaten is very

erratic. I can say this as we are in the process of doing studies on the use of free choice mineral and it is clear that a significant portion of cows won't get enough selenium. As we know, selenium is related to the immune system and deficiencies will enable scours to occur. By far the best is to feed it every day but not the most practical for many people.

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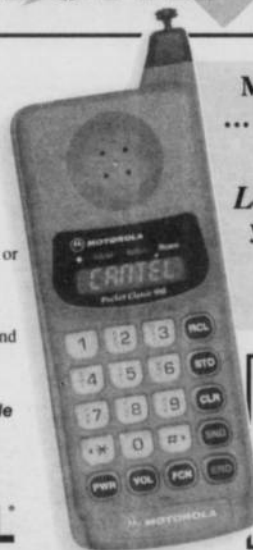
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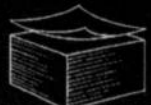
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Sports and entertainment

Cremona minor hockey in review

By Ryan Robertson

On Wednesday March 19, Cremona's Novice 2 team dropped a decision to Cochrane in the final game of a best-of-three League Championship Series. But it was a great season kids.

To coaches John Hinds, Gary Ayre and Jim Hager - the experience you gave your team is valuable and always with them. The logo on the shirt given to me by the team provides and identity for us all, from local artist Brad Fairs.

The Atoms hosted a great tournament March 14-16. Six teams

participated, good hockey prevailed.

Sunday March 16, a good crowd and the usual good effort of the Bantams and their followers raised \$906 towards the Zamboni. Opposition were Channel 7 T.V. personalities - a class act.

The General Meeting of Cremona Minor Hockey will be held Monday April 7 at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Finally, Awards Day is slated for Sunday, April 13, 1997 at 2 p.m., Cremona Community Center.

Cremona champs celebrate victory

By Ryan Robertson

The Cremona Bantam B2's are league champions. The team collected the league's top prize March 18 in Sundre.

From Game One in Sundre to the Cremona return, and back to the northwest, the teams continued a breath-taking flow of play.

Everyone playing knew their checks in their sleep, and where to be positioned. Any errors made were pounced on quickly, and if the other team gained possession, chances were, they'd pay big time for it.

From a Cremona point of view, this one was based on a solid work ethic from all. A tremendous team effort, and the emergence of a "team character" and belief in each other - the "wanting it more" attitude, that makes Champions, surfaced at precisely the right time, when it was needed most. The first game's critical winner, deep in overtime, was matched by Cremona team captain Darcy Hinds. In the final game, when it appeared

to be the "end of the road", Cremona's tenacity finally paid off with a mere 28 seconds remaining in regulation time. Steven Turner beat the Sundre goalie at that point with the assist to brother Jody Turner, tying the game 3-3 and sending the match into overtime.

Then Cremona captain, Darcy Hinds, scored the winner, clinching the series within a minute of four on four play, and again yes, in overtime.

The magic of such a moment puts smiles on the local residents of Cremona who discovered the happy news over the next couple of days whether on the streets or in their favorite coffee shop.

The Banner, to be raised to its resting place high up in the Cremona Arena, will remain a symbol to us all as a reminder of dedication and teamwork and indeed all of the right reasons why hockey is played; one being - to always respect the opposition, in this case the Sundre Bantams.



HOCKEY STALWART HONORED

Special tribute was paid to Jerry Bischke at last Friday's Didsbury Minor Hockey Awards night as he was presented with a commemorative picture from the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association. Jerry became involved with Didsbury Minor Hockey 15 years ago when his son Tim started hockey. He has since put three boys through the system working always with the teams the boys have been involved with. Jerry acted as assistant coach, manager and trainer for teams when his boys were playing. When the boys were through the system, Jerry continued to volunteer working with the Bantam League Champions in 1994-95, Midgets in 1995-96 and presently with the Pee Wee A team. During provincial tournaments, Jerry volunteered many hours in the time box and in all other capacities where volunteers were needed. While his wife was on the phone committee for the concession, Jerry stepped in when workers were not available to make sure staff was available to have the concession open. His boys have been out of hockey for the past four years, yet he continues to work with the kids because he enjoys being with the kids and loves the game of hockey. Jerry worked in the same way with any minor sports his boys were involved with. This past year he took the position of coach for a minor ball team when no one was available to coach the team. He has been a member of the Didsbury Fire Department for the past 23 years - presently a Captain and Safety Officer.

For more on awards night activities, turn to page 22.

Free Throw finale

The Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw Zone Finals were held at the Camille Larouche School in Red Deer on March 8.

Girls 10: first - Anik Julien, Red Deer; second - Carlene Nichols, Three Hills; third - Stephanie Platt, Three Hills.

Boys 10: first - Robert Forshner, Sundre; second - Andrew Block, Olds; third - Brendon Rhodes, Red Deer.

Girls 11: first - Kate Olsen, Red Deer; second - Meachan Harding, Red Deer; third - Stacey Jensen, Didsbury.

Boys 11: first - Jakub Kropacek, Red Deer; second - Mathew Batchelor, Red Deer; third - Ryan DeLeeu, Trochu.

Girls 12: first - Jennifer Pickering, Red Deer; second - Alicia Webster, Olds; third -

Nicole Forshner, Sundre.

Boys 12: first - Nick Nephin, Red Deer; second - Tyler Hastie, Trochu; third - Jarett Laramee, Red Deer.

Girls 13: first - Lindsay Keogh, Red Deer; second - Felicia Mauro, Red Deer; third - Nicole Shalagaun, Red Deer.

Boys 13: first - Victor Vincente, Red Deer; second - Ryan Swelin, Sundre; third - Dan Zelmer, Didsbury.

Girls 14: first - Vanessa Duret, Red Deer; second - Heather McNally, Red Deer; third - Ruth Fitzsimonds, Sundre.

Boys 14: first - Jesse Spreeman, Didsbury; second - Adam Gyorfi, Olds; third - Brad Callaway, Three Hills.

Contestants advance to the Provincial Finals at

McDougall High School in Airdrie, March 16. Each division may have up to 21 competitors if all qualifiers attend.

High score of the day was Jesse Spreeman with 21 of 25 baskets. Robert Forshner and Adam Gyorfi were tied for second with 19 of 25 baskets. High scorers for the girls were Anik Julien and Kate Olsen with 13 out of 25 baskets each.

The local council did not have a good day for tie-breakers for third place with three contestants losing and ending up as alternates.

The Forshner brother-sister team ended up in Provincial Finals - Nicole earned a spot as an alternate player in the Zone Finals.

Pool Splashings

By Leah Wygiera

Spring fever is in the air at the Didsbury Aquatic Center. So, don't leave town this Easter; stick around for an egg-citing week of swimming, sliding and special events. To kick off the holidays we are offering public swim Good Friday 1-5 p.m. Then, on Saturday, March 29 we will be holding our annual Egg-Quatic Pool Party 1-3:30 p.m. Bring the whole family for an afternoon of games, prizes, Easter treats, coloring contests, and visits from our mystery bunny. Don't forget to wear

your wackiest hat for our Wacky Hat contest. (Mom and Dad - that's for you too!) You'll need to hold on to your hat when you take a trip down our 150-foot whirling, twirling, Bunny Tunnel. Also on Saturday there will be family swim from 4-5:30 and public swim from 7-8:30. We will be closed Easter Sunday, but please make sure you pick up an Easter break schedule so you and your family can take advantage of our extra swim times all week. Happy Easter from the staff at the Didsbury Aquatic Center.



AWARDS NIGHT

DIDSBURY RAMBLER MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



LEAGUE CHAMPS

The Atom A's (pictured with their award winning coaches) and the Tyke #1 (2 & 27 League champs- not pictured) finished atop their respective leagues. The Tyke #1 team was coached by Doug Miller and Andy Arnold.



PEE WEE B's - coached by Dave Mohr and Jerry Bischke (Managed by Frank Murphy) awarded dual MVP's to Calvin Anderson and Scott Murphy. Cody Archer was Most Sportsmanlike, Luke Spreeman was Most Dedicated and Matt Mantori/Chris Christensen shared Most Improved honors.



BANTAM C's - coached by John Christensen, Dave Kernaghan and Bill Ward (Manager Clem Beaulac) awarded Most Improved to David Ward; MVP to Matt Corning; Most Sportsmanlike to Cody Harris, and Most Dedicated to Matt Hnatiuk.



ATOM A's - coached by the 1997 "Coach of the Year" award winners: Myles Peckham and Wendell Houk (assisted by Jeff Trewin- Managers: Brian McMullen and Doug Brander) awarded Most Improved to Cordell Christensen, Top Defenceman to Tom Morgan, Most Dedicated Players to Steve McMullen and Ian Brander.



Hockey Association President Rhonda Hunter (right) called Midget Teri Turner up to help with name draws. Turner, a Carstairs Midget, is the number one 'Under 19' goalie in the nation. Hunter also coaches the first female hockey team to be iced in Didsbury since 1978. Coaching and management assistants are Brenda Choquette and Audrey Campbell. Other teams on hand to celebrate the year's achievements were: TYKE #2 Wildcats, coached by Greg Hunter and Ian Hopfe; NOVICE 1 Ramblers coached by Martin Sacher, with assistance from Tony Martens and Bruce Kemmere; MIDGET B's, coached by Kevin Beaulac and Gerard Hollman and winners of the Nova Cup, voted Michael Pieper Most Sportsmanlike, Brad Jackson Most Dedicated, and Scott Hansen, Most Improved. The Novice 2 Huskies were coached by Don Edwards and Bruce Robertson and managed by Colin McEwen. The Novice 3 team was coached by Don Jensen and Robert Jackson. Coaches agreed the key element behind the season's success involved teamwork and the satisfaction of learning new skills.

ATOM C's coached by John Trenholm and Brett Gole, assisted by Kevin Kurtz, awarded Most Improved to Nick Kurtz, Most Dedicated to Ben May and Wil Harvie, and Most Sportsmanlike to Ross Sundberg.



Photos by Elaine Wilson



HOCKEY AND ALL THAT JAZZ
The DHS Jazz band, under the direction of Todd Klein, added a zesty element to the night's festivities.

PEEWEE C's - Coached by Rob Magee, Clint Platt and Ken Terpstra (Manager Vaughn Christensen) Most Improved to Carl Dorin, MVP to Tom Black. Most Sportsmanlike to Ryan Martens and Most Dedicated to Matt Tuggle.



South West Didsbury news

Sympathy of the area is extended to the Byrt families of Elkton, as father and grandfather George Byrt passed away March 9 at Edson, Alberta at the age of 86 years.

Funeral Services were held March 14 at Knox United Church in Didsbury with Rev. Malcolm Profitt officiating. Interment was in the Didsbury Cemetery. He leaves to mourn his passing, his three sons: Rodger and wife Marg and family; Donald and wife Leean and family; Gordon and wife Janice and family; one sister Barbara Crozier and family, one brother Charlie (Irene) of Sundre and family, as well as numerous nieces, nephews and friends. George was born in Cardiff, Wales July 28, 1910, to Frank and Ellen Byrt. They moved to Canada when George was eight years old, settling in the Elkton area. George, who took his schooling there and worked around the area, married Evelyn Davidson in 1935. He trucked grain, posts and coal and later went into construction. He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.

Sympathy of the area also goes to the Blade, Levagood, and Reese families as husband, Ray Blade, (Marian Levagood)

passed away on March 1 at the Rosedale Hospice in Calgary at the age of 79 years. Funeral Services were held March 4 in Calgary. Ray was born December 20, 1917, in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and grew up in Irma, Alberta. He and Marian (Levagood) were in the Royal Canadian Air Force. After the war he worked as a car salesman for Maclin Motors in Calgary and later for Calgary Motor Products. They had two children (son - Bob and daughter - Joan of Eugene, Oregon). Marian was born in this area and went to school here. She and Ray lived in Calgary. Ray will be sadly missed by family and friends.

Another long-time south west area resident passed away March 10, 1997 in the Didsbury Health Centre at the good age of 94 years. Emma Brooks and her late husband, Otto Hamilton, farmed west of Carstairs for many years, eventually retiring to Didsbury. She always enjoyed friends, and played the organ for many years in Zion Evangelical Church west of Carstairs.

Funeral Services were held in the South Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury with Rev. Richard Pahl officiating,

interment was in the Didsbury Cemetery. Lunch was served to the Evangelical ladies. She will be sadly missed by relatives and friends.

We and other residents received a newsletter from Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. regarding the oil well drilled on Dick and Dianne Levagood's land. The "Gulf Harmattan Well" has been tested and none of the levels showed sufficient volumes of sour gas to justify construction of production facilities. The sour zones have all been cemented off, so there is no danger of sour gas being released from the well. Area residents appreciate notice being sent out by Gulf Canada, keeping everyone in the area informed as to the progress of the oil drilling and the production rig; they're a great company.

Please note: March Birthday Club will be held at the home of Bessie Eckstrand, the afternoon of March 26. All area friends are invited to attend.

The next 5-0 Senior Dance will be held at the 5-0 Hall in Didsbury on April 4 with Walter Fisher and his gang supplying the music. There will be prizes and lunch. Everyone is welcome.

The area finally has a Chinook. Water is starting to flow. It will be great to get rid of this show, which we've had since November. It has been quite a winter - this 1997.



**Bessie
ECKSTRAND**

Karate kicks

On March 22, the Olds Wado Kai karate club participated in the first Calgary Southside Wado Kai karate tournament.

Fifteen year-old Paul Seewalt of Didsbury competed in the men's yellow belt division, literally "kicking butt". The head judge in his division commented that while it may sound impressive to "kick butt" in a tournament, this target is illegal and scores no points. However, a good time was had by all.

In the Yellow belts aged 9 to 12, Ryan Anderson (12) of Bowden edged out his younger brother Jeffrey (9) to take sec-

ond place in sparring. Sensei Pam Driscoll, 5th degree black belt, commented that the quality of the boys' sparring was such a pleasure to watch that it was almost a shame to stop them to award points. Participants from Olds were David Johnson (1st to 3rd degree Black Belts) and Joanne Lindsay (Adult Orange Belt).

The next scheduled tournament is the Western Canadian Wado Kai Championships at Spruce Grove, Alberta, April 4-6. For more information about Wado Kai karate, contact Dave Johnson at 556-1146.

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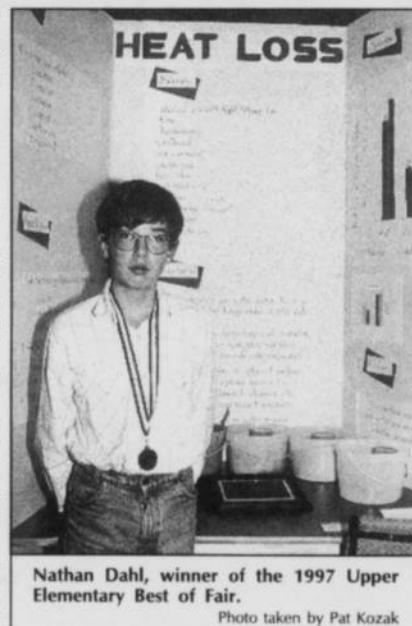
Scientific acheivers

The following are the results from the Central Alberta Regional Science Fair held in Red Deer on March 21 and 22, 1997. Projects entered from the Mountain View Science and Technology Science Fair held in Olds on February 22, 1997 are listed below.

Elementary:
Best of Fair and Gold Medal: Cole St. John, *Wood Fuels in Southern Alberta*.
Second Best of Fair and Gold Medal: Ashleigh Maetche, Reed Ranch, *Melting and Boiling*.
Third Best of Fair and Gold Medal: Tannis Rasmussen and Dianna Williams, Hugh Sutherland, *Soap and Germs*.
Silver Medals
Tessa Lerbekmo, Cremona, *Which Toilet Saves the Earth?*
Kirsten Myra, Cremona, *Snow and Deer Browse*.
Bronze Medals
Brian Harrison, Hugh Sutherland, *How People Keep Warm - Part C*.
Marcus Corning, Hugh Sutherland, *Paper or Garbage*.
Honorable Mention
Nathan Dahl, Westglen, *Heat Loss*.
Mahmud Naqi, Hugh Sutherland, *Battle of the Batteries*.
Secondary:
Silver Medals
Amberly Marciniak, Cremona, *Grass Growth*.
Bronze Medals
Lisa Dahl, Westglen, *Laundry Boosters*.

Honorable Mention
Katie Kaczmarek, Hugh Sutherland, *Vitamins*.
Elementary Special Awards
TELUS Communications Award
Brina Goyette and John Negropontes, Deer Meadow, *Binary Modems and Faxes*.
Ellis Bird Farm Award
Kirsten Myra, Cremona, *Snow and Deer Browse*.
University Women's Club Award
Tessa Lerbekmo, Cremona, *Which Toilet Saves the Earth?*
Kirsten Myra, Cremona, *Snow and Deer Browse*.

Secondary Special Awards
Alberta Institute of Agriologists
Amberly Marciniak, Cremona, *Grass Growth*.
University Women's Club Award
Amberly Marciniak, Cremona, *Grass Growth*.
Lisa Dahl, Westglen, *Laundry Boosters*.



Nathan Dahl, winner of the 1997 Upper Elementary Best of Fair.

Photo taken by Pat Kozak

Two County of Mountain View students won gold medals in the Central Alberta Regional Science Fair held in Red Deer March 21 and 22. It was a joint project, *Biodiversity in the Subalpine* between Kristen Tannas, Grade 7, Cremona School, and her brother Steven Tannas, Grade 9, Olds Koinonia Christian School. The project took second place in the fair and both will compete at the Canada-wide fair this May.

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word search game

BY DEANNA STUCKEY

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ANOTHER PLACE: Locate the words below in the puzzle above and circle individual letters. Once you've found all the clues, the remaining letters can be unscrambled to reveal the puzzle's solution.

SOLUTION: 6 Letters.

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Democracy and the GST

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When most Canadians think about the GST, they think about how it affects their personal finances. Business people think about the costs and headache of administering the tax, and government bureaucrats think about how they can raise more revenues out of the GST-paying public.

But the most important issue in conjunction with the GST - that of democracy - seldom comes up in conversation. From the beginning the GST has been a study in how Ottawa steamrolls over the democratic will of the Canadian people.

In 1989 the Mulroney administration foisted the most unpopular tax in Canadian history on an outraged public, pulling out all stops, including stacking the unelected Senate. In 1993 the federal Liberals were elected on a platform to "scrap", "kill", and "abolish" the GST. They recanted on that promise and are now attempting to "harmonize" the GST with provincial sales taxes. Jean Chretien even went so far as to use his dictatorial powers to throw John Nunziata out of caucus for pointing out that the Liberals have no demo-

cratic mandate to continue enforcing the GST.

But surprisingly, Ottawa's anti-democratic politicians have also made some constructive contributions to the GST debate.

Last week, the sleepy, patronage-infested, unaccountable "red chamber" pulled a fast one on Finance Minister Paul Martin by defeating a part of his new GST legislation that would hide the tax in the price of goods and services in Newfoundland, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

Now most people would probably think this to be a good thing. And, in fact, in many respects it is - in killing "tax-inclusive pricing" the Senate has saved retailers millions that would have had to have been spent adapting inventory systems and putting different price stickers on those items to be sold in the Atlantic provinces.

More importantly, consumers in Atlantic Canada will actually be told up-front how much sales tax (15 per cent) they're paying every time they step up to the cash register. Keeping the tax visible ensures that Canadians are aware of how much governments are taking from them, thereby making it more difficult to raise the rate.

So perhaps the Senate did the right thing. But did they? Isn't there a bigger question here than whether or not the GST should

be visible or hidden? Don't get me wrong, taxpayers are certainly better off for the Senate's actions, but don't we need to ask ourselves whether or not an unelected, unaccountable group of old political hacks should be allowed to veto a popularly elected body of representatives?

It's great that the Senate killed such an egregious measure as tax inclusive pricing *this time*. But what about *next time*? What if they decide to use their powers to do something that is not nearly so popular? An elected Senate would certainly help address the problem of legitimacy, but the chances of that happening are slim to none, and Slim just left town.

No, the best way to bring democracy to the GST debate is to enact taxpayer protection legislation at the federal level. Manitoba already has a law that forces referendums on tax increases and Ralph Klein has promised to expand Alberta's law to hold a referendum on the introduction of a sales tax to include popular votes on income taxes. Allowing Canadians to vote "yes" or "no" to the GST would bring democracy back to Canada. How about that Mr. Chretien? How about a taxpayer protection law?

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CRIMINAL RECORD? Canadian pardon seals record. United States waiver allows legal entry without risk of arrest, deportation or property seizure. For a free consultation 403-229-1200. awna1-13

FOR HIRE. New T-300 tandem Kenworth deck truck. Complete with 13.5 ton knuckle boom picker and rental of temporary fencing, insulation, take down, and transportation. 403-262-4452, 403-651-6924 cel. awna1-13

410 - NOTICE

HAY PERMITS

Carmacks Enterprises Ltd. advises that landowners adjacent to primary highway right-of-way must submit their **APPLICATIONS** for hay permits between April 1, 1997 and April 30, 1997. All other applicants may apply anytime between April 1, 1997 and June 1, 1997. Priority will be given to adjacent land owners up to April 30, 1997. All other application will be on a "first come, first serve basis". Applications will be available at the following address **AFTER** March 15, 1997. Application may be made to Carmacks Enterprises Ltd., #210, 720 - 28 Street N.E., Calgary, Alberta T2A 6R3. Telephone 543-0305. Fax, 543-0314. Applications will be accepted between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday **ONLY. NO APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BEFORE APRIL 1, 1997, AFTER JUNE 1, 1997, OR OUTSIDE OF BUSINESS HOURS.** 48-1t

Notice to Creditors and Claimants

Estate Of
EMMA CARLENE FISCHER,
also known as
EMMA CAROLINA FISCHER
and
EMMA KAROLINA FISCHER,
deceased, late of the town of
Didsbury, Alberta, who died
on January 20, 1997.

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim by April 28, 1997 and provide details of your claim with

Alvin F. Ganser,
Barrister & Solicitor,
at Box 4040,
Olds, Alberta T4H 1P7.

If you do not file by the date above, the estate property can lawfully be distributed without regard to any claim you may have. 48-1t

500 - HOMES

CANMORE CONDO. \$17,900! Not a time-share. Full 1/10th ownership (every 10th week). Beautiful new 2 bedroom furnished condo. Wonderful view. Underground parking. Call Linda 1-800-930-2422. awna1-13

FOR SALE by owner: Bi-level home on large beautiful lot. Please call after 6 p.m. 335-3822. 48-1t

510 - MOBILE HOMES

FOR SALE: Beautifully kept older mobile home on leased acreage near Westward Ho in Sundre Area. Beautiful mountain view and nicely maintained grounds. Stove, fridge, washer and dryer included. \$8000 OBO. Days 948-7327, Evenings 948-1844. 48-1t

520 - MANUFACTURED HOMES

EDMONTON AREA'S largest selection of manufactured homes. Three factories to choose from. Show Home Clearance Sale! Used homes must go! Pleasant Homes, Spruce Grove, 403-962-0238. awna6-14

520 - MANUFACTURED HOMES

USED HOME Clearance Sale, Alberta's best selection. Eg.: 1981 spotless, 14 X 75 General. Asking \$22,995. 1974 Fleetwood (jet tub), asking \$14,995. Legend Homes, Calgary, 403-259-5836. awna3-13

JANDEL HOMES - Edmonton's largest selection of modular show homes, 1,100 - 2,200 sq. ft. Modular home, 1,100 sq. ft., cathedral ceilings, large country kitchen, 2 X 6 construction. \$56,900. Delivery included. 1-800-463-0084. awna2-14

\$35,900. NEW 16 wide, manufactured home, comes with 2 X 6 gyprock walls. Order now for spring. Call collect 403-470-5660. awna2-14

\$43,900. 1997, 16 X 80. Hurry order now. Includes vinyl siding, cathedral ceilings, walk-in pantry, oval tub and more. Free credit approval. Ridgewood Homes, Red Deer 1-800-797-5714; Calgary 1-800-797-5717. awna1-13

\$59,900. 1997, 1350 sq. ft. bungalow. Hurry order now. Includes vinyl siding, walk-in pantry, oval tub, etc. Free credit approval. Ridgewood Homes, Calgary 1-800-797-5717. Red Deer 1-800-797-5714. awna1-13

NEW, 3 bedroom Ridgewood Homes priced at \$39,900. 5% down O.A.C. Stardust Properties Inc. Wainwright dealer for Ridgewood Homes. 403-842-4340. awna1-13

530 - PROPERTY

MUST SELL - Great location, 60x120 ft. corner lot, 14th Street and 20th Avenue, \$18,000. 75x132 ft. lot, 16th Street and 23rd Avenue, \$18,000. (403) 347-6081. 50-3t

RESALES TIMESHARE /campground memberships. America's largest resale clearinghouse. Resort Sales International 1-800-423-5967. awna4-14

LAND! LAND! LAND! For sale. Some of Alberta's best farmland. High Level, LaCrete, Fort Vermilion. 1/4 sections to complete farms. Re/Max Foggy Mountain Realty 403-926-4733. awna1-13

540 - FOR RENT

FOR RENT In Didsbury: 3 bedroom townhouses. 1 1/2 baths, stove, fridge, laundry hook ups, fenced yards. Rents \$500, damage deposit \$300. Includes water, sewer & garbage pick up. No dogs. Phone 335-2347. 46-tfnc

2 BEDROOM mobile home in Didsbury Mobile Park, available immediately. Phone 335-4656 evenings. 48-3t

50 X 24 QUANSET for rent in Didsbury. 335-3185. 49-2t

1 BEDROOM HOUSE, newly renovated, close to hospital. Fridge, stove, washer, dryer, microwave, carport. \$395/month. Security deposit \$250. Available April 1. Phone 335-8471. 49-2t

SMALL HOUSE for rent in Didsbury. Non-smokers only. One bedroom up, one down. Garage & fenced yard. Recently refinished. \$475 + utilities. Call 337-2490. Available April 1. 48-1t

AVAILABLE APRIL 1. 3 bedroom suite in newly renovated 4-plex. Rent \$395, \$395 DD, includes heat. Call Calgary 242-3645. 48-tfnc

INDISBURY main floor of 3 bedroom house, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace, all appliances. Adults only. \$600 includes utilities. 572-3456. 48-1t

540 - FOR RENT

DIDSBURY MANOR
1706 - 22 Ave.
3 Bdr. Townhouses
Private Yard, Cable,
W/D Hookups, \$550/mo.
Call 335-2027
37-tfnc

600 - CARS

USED VEHICLE SALE

1995 Dodge Dually Club Cab, 4WD, Diesel, Auto, loaded, stk #7T307A	\$29,700
1994 Dodge 1500, 4WD, SLT, loaded, 86 Km	\$19,900
1996 Chrysler Intrepid, loaded, 3.5 liter V6	\$19,800
1995 Dodge Neon Hi-line, 4 door, auto, low Kms	\$9,900

Call Darren Dockter at
1-800-661-5277
for more information.
48-1t

FOR SALE: 1980 Mustang 4 cylinder, 4 speed. New tires, new brakes, 70,000 km on re-built motor. A-1 shape. Asking \$1,500. For more information call Art Regner 335-3762 after 6:30 p.m. 49-2t

610 - TRUCKS

1990 DODGE R/T 4x4 regular cab, 318 V-8, auto cruise, tilt, AM/FM radio, 131,000 Km, very good condition. Asking \$8,900. Phone 556-7879. 48-1t

ALL MAKE LEASING, zero down, 4 X 4's supercabs, crewcabs, diesels, dualys. New and used, low payments, free delivery. For pre-approval call Don collect 403-413-4200, Edmonton, anytime. awna2-14

THINKING OF SELLING your truck? Is your lease due? We buy vehicles for cash. Wanted clean low/average mileage '88 and newer trucks and sport utility 4 X 4's. Call Nafta Trading 1-800-791-8120. awna1-13

620 - VANS

1985 CHEV ASTRO van, V6, auto, 7 pass., quad. seating, many new parts, high kms, needs some work, \$1,700. 335-9488. 48-1t

640 - RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

TOP DOLLAR PAID for used RVs (clean, good condition).

Complete parts and service.

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TOP DOLLAR PAID for late model RVs. We will pay you immediately for late model, good condition, clean RVs. Woody's RV World, Calgary. 1-800-531-4695, 403-240-1212. awna1-13

CAREFREE RESORT large lot with 29' fifth wheel, includes deck Olympic pool, million dollar clubhouse on lake near Innisfail. Replacement value \$60,000. Sell for \$33,500. 403-560-6080. awna1-13

700 - FOR SALE

MICROWAVE STAND - walnut, drawer, shelf, 2 door cupboard below, \$75. Piece of foam 48"x74", \$15. Sears Carpet Shampoo/Polisher, \$15. 335-3487. 48-1t

FOR SALE: 1 Year-old MTD 10 HP snow blower. Also older Sunbeam electric snow blower. 335-3246. 49-2t

FARM AND BUSINESS specials. VHF - UHF, 2-way radios and portables - add-ons to existing systems - aurora and XJ phones. Western Midland Communications. 1-800-289-6918, 403-250-9433, Calgary. awna5-14

CLASSIFIEDS

700 - FOR SALE

SAWMILL \$4895. Saw logs into boards, planks, beams. Large capacity. Best sawmill value anywhere. Free information 1-800-566-6899. Norwood Sawmills, R.R. 2, Kilworthy, ON, POE 1G0. awna4-14

PLASTIC PRODUCTS all shapes and sizes. Special: 1250 gallon, \$550. Anything in plastic! Phone our manufacturing facilities at: Barrhead 403-674-3892; Kinsella 403-336-3308; Calgary 403-276-2090; Edmonton 403-447-5184; Spruce Grove 403-962-2100; Ft. Sask. 403-992-1790. awna2-14

40' X 56' X 14' FARM SHOP, straight wall, galvalume cladding, \$10,500. Coloured cladding, doors, windows, labour and freight extra. Mastercraft Building Systems Ltd. 1-800-822-1836, Calgary 403-269-4117. awna1-13

DISCOUNT VITAMINS, herbs, supplements, health foods. Send for your free catalogue. 3654 Hoskins Road, Westbank, BC, V4T 2S1. Phone 250-768-4558 days, 250-769-4348 evenings. Fax 250-768-5229. awna1-13

10' X 52' ATCO office trailer in Red Deer. 3 years old. Excellent condition/ w furnace, A/C. Skidless. \$17,500. + GST. Phone Gordon 403-342-4678. Weekends 403-340-2860. awna1-13

WIN \$20,000 in gold! Only 5,500 tickets printed. Draw April 1, 1997. 3 for \$50, or \$20 each. Contact: Olds Grizzlies Ticket Office, 403-556-1121 or fax 403-556-1230. #R128716. awna1-13

TOYS - The JK Toy Ranch has Canada's largest selection of die-cast farm and vehicles toys. Send \$2. for mail order catalogue to: Box 595, Langenburg, SK, S0A 2A0. awna1-13

BEST KEPT secret in the stock market! Turning over a new leaf. Exciting new book! \$37.75 + \$6.95 S&H, Visa/MC. Disc. www.stocksecrets.com 1-888-895-9079 ext. 103. awna1-13

EQUIPMENT FOR SALE: Excavators, loaders, backhoes, water trucks, gravel trucks, compactors, low beds, tilt trailers, bobcats, hiab trucks, D7E Cat. Call Vic Kampe, Penitence, 250-493-6791. awna4-15

710 - WANTED

\$20,000 WANTED at 8%. First mortgage, 5 years, on older house in Didsbury. 335-9884. 1-4t

WANTED TO BUY - Extra cab or crew cab diesel. 250-371-2129. awna3-13

WANTED: Old cowboy spurs, paying \$300. + fancy; \$500. + silver inlaid; chaps \$400. + fancy; \$500. + woollies; horsehair prison bridles \$1500. +; Indian headwork moccasins, old saddles. 1-800-962-2427. awna1-13

720 - AUCTIONS

CAR CRAZY 3rd Annual Classic Collector Car Auction. Apr. 25, 26, 27. Round Up Center, Stampede Park, Calgary. For information or booking cars, call Harold 403-287-6565, fax 403-217-4071. awna1-13

750 - PETS

CKC ASCA registered "proven" working Australian Shepherds for sale. Two females 5 months old, two females 1 years old, one male 3 years old. Call Lyn at 403-942-4537. awna1-13

GREAT PYRENEES PUPS for sale. Females only. Lovely temperaments, and excellent with children. Registered, shots, tattoos and written guarantee included. Ready April. Call 403-934-2778. awna1-13

760 - TRAVEL

SKIPACKAGES - 3 nights/3 days, starting at \$220.00 per person, based on double occupancy, does not include GST. Call 1-800-258-7669. awna6-15

CANMORE CONDO. \$350/week! Beautiful new 2 bedroom furnished condo leased in blocks of 10 weeks/year (every 5th week). 3 year lease. Call Linda 1-800-930-2422. awna1-13

770 - MISCELLANEOUS

Winter Specials On HOT TUBS & SATELLITES

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OLYMPIC BUILDING SYSTEMS your fully engineered approved agricultural commercial building supplier. Buildings custom designed to your needs and area conditions. See us at the Farm and Ranch Show, Mar. 26 - 29. For information package call 1-800-426-0459. awna5-14

NEED MONEY? call 403-452-5858. Immediate approval. Debt consolidation, farm, acreage, city, home and mobile purchase. Interim financing. Consolidated Mortgages Ltd. awna1-13

SENIORS! Consider Holden Lodge, Holden, Alberta. Comparable rates, full bath, security, recreation and more. Northview Manor has one bedroom apartments available. Call 403-688-3817. awna1-13

800 - ANNOUNCEMENTS
ALBERTA LUNG Association Clean Air Raffle, early bird draw winner, March 19/97: Dawn Lutersz, Calgary, Alberta. \$1000. Natural Gas Appliance. awna1-13

810 - BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY 39th Ev! Love, the other man and his four girls. 48-1t

SATURDAY, MARCH 29, the family of Mary McCulloch invite you to the Redeemer Lutheran Church from 2-5 p.m. to come and go tea in honor of their mother's 90th birthday. Please no gifts. 48-1t

820 - COMING EVENTS

MEADOWLARK CHRISTIAN SCHOOL 15 Year Anniversary Celebration. May 17, 1997. Contact: Korina 403-922-8099, Yolanda - 403-444-7366. awna6-17

PASSION PLAY! 26th season! Come celebrate Alberta Lyric Theatre's "Love According to John." Jubilee Auditorium (Edmonton). March 28, 29, 7:30 p.m. March 30, 2:30 p.m. Group rates 403-455-0787. awna4-13

ALBERTA HOME EDUCATION Association Annual Convention, May 2 and 3, Red Deer. Speakers, workshops, curriculum tables. Call 403-988-3785 for information. 1-13

ROPER'S AND BREEDERS. Texas Longhorn Presort Sale, Sat., Apr. 5, 1 p.m., Stettler Auction mart. Selling 200 head, presorted 10 head lots, weights - 400 to 550. Plus 20 bred heifers. Call 403-742-2368 for details. awna1-13

830 - CARDS OF THANKS

THANKS so much for all the cards, flowers, phone calls, prayers, visits and food before and after my recent surgery. All were very much appreciated. Del Ryan 48-1t

840 - OBITUARY

LONIE - Reverend Keith Lonie of Didsbury, Alberta, passed away on March 10, 1997 at the age of 74 years. He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Alice of Didsbury; one daughter, Faith Morin of Calgary; two sons, Glen (Donna) Lonie of Strathburg, Sask. and Garth Lonie of Washburn, Illinois; 9 grandchildren; one sister, Ivy Schroeder of Elkford, BC. A memorial service was held at the Zion Evangelical Missionary Church in Didsbury, Alberta on Friday, March 14. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the mission organization of one's choice. 48-1t

840 - OBITUARY

The Didsbury Review apologizes to all those who placed Obituaries, In Memoriam or Classifieds in last week's paper. These ads did not appear because of technical difficulties. We have reprinted them below with our apologies.

BYRT, George Albert - On March 9, 1997, George Albert Byrt, long time resident of Elkton, Alberta, passed away in Edson, Alberta at the age of 86 years. George was born in Cardiff, Wales on July 28, 1910, to Frank and Ellen Byrt. His family moved to Canada when he was eight years old. They settled in Elkton, Alberta. George took all his schooling in the area and for most of his life, worked in and around Elkton and area. He met Evelyn Davidson and in 1935, they were married. From this marriage, three children were born. George trucked for many years, hauling posts and later hauling grain. When he quit trucking, he went to work in construction until he retired. Pre-deceased by his mother Ellen, father Frank, wife Evelyn, three sister Violet, Nancy and Gwen, one brother Francis. George is survived by three sons: Roger and wife Marg and their children Dorothy Jackson (Roger) and her children Jordan, Ashley, Dustin and Dallas, Cindy and husband Richard Zugelder and their children, Michael and Miranda, Sandra and husband Gordon Welton and their family, Lacey and Logan, Donald Byrt and wife Leeann and their family Ryan and Maegen all of Edson, Alberta. Son Gordon and wife Janice of Nevis, Alberta and their children Kelly and her son Donovan of Stettler, Alberta, Gordon Jr. and his wife Carol and their children Tyler and Misty all of Nevis, Alberta, Son Barry and wife Winnifred of Stettler, Alberta and their children Melanie (Mickey) of Red Deer, Alberta and David Byrt and wife Charlene and their daughter Dakota of Stettler, Alberta. Also surviving is his sister Barbara Croizier and brother Charlie Byrt (Irene) of Sundre, Alberta, his good friend and companion, Dorothy Thompson of Ponoka, Alberta as well as numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends. Funeral services for George Albert Byrt took place on Friday, March 14, 1997, from the Didsbury United Church, Didsbury, Alberta with Rev. Malcolm Profit officiating. Interment followed in the Didsbury Cemetery, Didsbury, Alberta. In lieu of floral tributes, donations if desired may be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association, 1010 - 10117 Jasper Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1W8. Edson Funeral Home Ltd. (Robert C. Joy and Andrew Dick Directors) entrusted with all arrangements. 1-800-238-3462, 723-3575. 48-1t

JANKE - Louise Anne Janke was born on June 1, 1946 to John F. Blewett and Denise Blewett in New York City. She lived there until the age of fifteen where she attended Good Shepherd School. Upon retirement of her father, a lawyer for New York, and since her mother was of French origin in Quebec, Canada, they moved back to Quebec. Here she attended St. Patrick Girls School and completed her education and graduated in 1964. She moved from Quebec in 1972 to Wetaskiwin, Alberta. In 1975, she met her present husband, Alfred Janke and later married him. She moved to the Three Hills district and resided there with her five sons and husband until 1990. It is then that Alfred and Louise moved to Bowden. She worked as co-ordinator and reasurer for Innisfail E.C.S., as she had done in Three Hills. She passed away March 16, 1997, after a battle with cancer. She is mourned by her five sons, husband, her mother and two brothers. She will also be sadly missed by many relatives in New York and Quebec. She is not only missed by her family and relatives, but by countless friends of whom she touched their lives indefinitely. Services were held on Thursday, March 20, 1997 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Didsbury. Interment at Didsbury Cemetery. If desired, memorial tributes may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, Mountain View Funeral Chapel, Olds, entrusted with arrangements. 403-556-3223. 48-1t

840 - OBITUARY

BROOKS - Mrs. Susan Emma Brooks died Monday, March 10 at the Didsbury Nursing Home at the age of 94. She was born in Lost Springs, Kansas in 1902. She moved to Canada the next month and settled eleven miles southwest of Carstairs where her father homesteaded in the West Hope district. She was a long time, active member of Bethel United Evangelical Brethren Church west of Carstairs. She was predeceased by her husband, Hamilton in 1989 and by her three sisters, Mary Harder, Anna Burke and Leah Pouero and one brother Haller Otto. She is survived by several nieces and nephews and other extended family. 48-1t

KIRKBRIDE - Ena Marguerite Kirkbride was born on August 23, 1908 and passed away peacefully on March 15, 1997. She leaves to mourn her son, Richard and Joan (Leeson) Kirkbride of Kelowna, B.C.; daughter, Arlene McMartin of Calgary; 6 grandchildren, Mark McMartin, Clinton and Kim McMartin, Gregory McMartin, Wendy McMartin, Cathie McMartin and Jennifer Kirkbride; three great grandchildren, Trina, Krystal and Amber McMartin. She was predeceased by her husband Arnold in 1978. Funeral services were held March 19 at Knox United Church in Didsbury, Alberta. Interment at the Didsbury Cemetery. Donations can be made to CNIB, Stars Air Ambulance or charity of your choice. 48-1t

850 MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Ethel Tighe, who passed away March 18, 1995:

"In a quiet graveyard,
Where the gentle breezes blow,
Lies the one we loved so dearly
Whom we lost two years ago.
May the winds of love blow gently
And whisper so you can hear
That we will always love and miss
you
And with that you were here."

Sadly missed and always remembered by sisters, brothers, grandchildren and great grandchildren. 48-1t

LUFT - Leonard - March 19

Our Brother, Our Uncle:
"We never lose the ones we love,
Deep in our hearts your memories are kept,
To love and cherish and never forget,
A thought, a prayer, a secret tear,
then a
Silent wish that you were near."

Lovingly remembered by Roy, Donna and families. 48-1t

LUFT - In loving memory of Leonard, husband and father who passed away March 19, 1996:

"The things we feel so deeply,
Are the hardest things to say.
But we your family loved you,
In a very special way.
They say that memories are golden,
Well that may be true.
But we never wanted memories,
We only wanted you.
If tears could build a stairway,
And heartaches make a lane,
We'd walk the path to heaven,
And bring you home again.
Our family chain is broken,
And nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one,
The chain will link again."

Forever loved and sadly missed by Nadine, Connie and Cindy. 48-1t

In Loving Memory of Larry Krebs who died March 16, 1994:

"His smiling way and pleasant face
Are a pleasure to recall
He had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.
Some day we know we'll meet him
Some day, we know not when
To clasp his hand in a better land
Never to part again."

So very dearly loved and very sadly missed by Shawna, Alan and Cody; Kevin and Louise, and Darren. 48-1t

850 MEMORIAM

ALLEN, James Howard (Jim)
A tribute of love and remembrance for a loving husband, father and grandfather whom God called home March 19, 1994.

"It seems like only yesterday
We said good-bye to you.
Your fight was hard on all of us
Now your suffering is through.
We chose to remember the good days
The times when you were well.
When our hearts will heal
Only time will tell.

Three years ago we lost you
And as we held your hand
You turned your head and saw the light
Soaring to another land.
We don't know what you saw that day

Something is very true
The surprised look in your eyes
Then your soul was gone from you.
The next few days passed in a blur
So many things to do.

Then there was the emptiness
But your suffering was through.
Now the family gathers
For holidays and such
You are the only one not there
We all miss so much.

Your grandchildren are your legacy
Sarah, James, Ryan, Kyle, Tyler and Evan

Another one is on the way
And that will make it seven.
So please remember this dear one
And hear us when we say
Our thoughts are with you always
And we miss you to this day.

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered every day. Your loving wife Delores, your children Collen (Larry), Jerry (Teresa), Cindy (Brian), Todd (Joanne), Carol and all your loving grandchildren. 48-1t

EDWARDS, Eva - In loving memory of our dear mother, grandmother and great grandmother who passed away March 18, 1996.

"A wonderful mother, woman and aid,
One who was better God never made;
A wonderful worker, so loyal and true,
One in a million - that mother was you."

Just in your judgement, always right;
Honest and liberal, ever upright;
Loved by your friends and all whom you knew,
Our wonderful mother - that mother was you."

Sadly missed and forever loved, The Edwards families. 48-1t

SAWATZKY, Peter F. - In loving memory of Peter F. Sawatzky who passed away March 26, 1994.

"Nothing can take away
The love a heart holds dear
Fond memories linger everyday
Remembrance keeps his near."
Sadly missed by Peter and Doreen and family, and Sara and family. 48-1t

860 - PERSONAL

COUNTRY INTRODUCTIONS - A unique introduction service for rural Albertans. All ages welcome. Free information: Toftfield, Box 64, T0B 4J0. 1-800-992-3363. Serious inquiries only. awna1-13

870 - PRAYER CORNER

THANK YOU St. Jude for prayers answered. 48-1t

880 - BIRTHS

SANCHE - Danielle Sarah Sanche was born to Trevor and Cherie Sanche on March 1, 1997 at 6:40 a.m., weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz., length 50 cm. Proud grandparents are Harold and Colleen Johnsrude and Ray and Lynda Sanche. 48-1t

THE PROGRAM

OF COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

GET WITH THE PROGRAM
If you are a non-profit organization and would like your events included in the Community Calendar 'free of charge' - one time only - please call Becky at 335-3301

Upcoming events

DIDSBURY

FIDDLER'S JAMBOREE
5th Annual Fiddler's Jambooree, Sunday, April 6th, 1-4 p.m., Didsbury Trade Show. All Alberta Fiddlers invited! If you plan to come please call Jim Adamchick 335-9936.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES SPRING RALLY

The Mountain View Evangelical Missionary Church is hosting the annual Women's Ministries Spring Rally, April 5, 97. Registration 9:30 - 10 am. Guest speaker, Doris Daley, sharing stories about women & their families in developing countries. Missions speaker Doris Friessen.

DIDSBURY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

is sponsoring a "2nd Brown Bag Travel Hour", Thursday, April 3, 12:00 SHARP. Wild Australia on Video; 60 minutes. This remarkable video traces the history of Australia's unique and unusual animals, rarely seen in their natural habitat, even by Australians. Travel to the Four Corners of the Globe. So bring your lunch and enjoy a hour or more of armchair travel and we will supply the coffee.

HOCKEY MEETING
General Meeting April 7, 7 p.m.

BALL DIAMOND SCHEDULING MEETING
League, Team and Group must be in attendance. April 3, 7 p.m.

MOUNTAIN VIEW MIXED SLOW PITCH LEAGUE
would like to hear from any teams interested in playing in the County League. Some traveling, double headers one night per week. Please call for info. or to register. Contact Tim 556-3395, 556-1584 after 6 p.m. or 335-3788 after 6 p.m.

DIDSBURY

MOUNTAIN VIEW CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S CLUB

"Update the Busy Room" Breakfast, Tuesday, April 15, 1997, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Didsbury 5-0 Club. Babysitting provided. For reservations or rides call Mary 335-4533 or Nancy 337-3200.

OLDS

OPEN HOUSE

Experience "Education that means Business" at Olds College's OPEN HOUSE Event. Displays, demonstrations, contests, prizes, activities for kids... it's all happening Saturday, April 5 starting at 9 am. Find out more by calling the Open House Hotline at (403) 556-4611

OTHER

HAVE A GREAT IDEA FOR A SMALL BUSINESS... but no collateral or credit rating? The Loan Circle provides training, and small, character based loans for the business start-up. Call Sharon at The Centre for Business Development, 342-2055 for further information or to register for our next training session that starts April 5.

CGRA CELEBRATES 40TH
The Canadian Girls' Rodeo Association is looking for all its past members for a 40th reunion to be held in September 1997. Please contact the CGRA, Box 6152, Station "D", Calgary, AB T2P 2C8.

CARSTAIRS

RECYCLING DEPOT

Carstairs Lion's Recycling Depot is open every Saturday from 9 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. tfn

DIDSBURY DRUGS

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335-3066

Main Street, Didsbury

DIDSBURY

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous, Carstairs Catholic Parish, 302 - 11 Ave., Carstairs, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Further info. 337-3619 (Teri). tfn

DIDSBURY TOPS

Take Off Pounds Sensibly! Come and join us every Wednesday evening. For more info call Betty at 335-3994 or Vivian at 335-3730. tfn

AL-ANON

Al-Anon meetings for families of alcoholics held every Friday at 8:30 p.m. in EV Church, next to Post Office, Didsbury. More info. 337-2622 tfn

TOY LIBRARY

Kidding Around Parents Club Toy Library: Hours Tuesdays and Saturdays 10 - 11:30 a.m. at the Anglican Church Hall basement. Large selection of toys. More info. call Susan at 335-8540. tfn

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BEAVER'S

Beaver's Monday 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. at Eldon Foote Hall. Kids 5 to 7 years old, boys and girls welcome. tfn

KING HIRAM LODGE MEETING

King Hiram Lodge #21 has its regular meetings at 8 p.m. every 2nd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Hans Lucas at 337-2250. tfn

O.E.S. MEETING

St. Hilda Chapter #27 O.E.S. has its regular meetings at 8:00 p.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month. For info. call Marge Steckler at 335-4281. tfn

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Won't you join us at the Museum on the 1st Thursday of every month from 2 - 4 p.m. for coffee. Everyone is welcome, newcomers to town come and get acquainted. We have lots to see, take a look back in history. There is no charge but of course donations are always welcome. The museum is also open on Wed., Thurs. and Fri. from 2 - 5 p.m. weekly. We're located at 2118 - 21st Ave. For more info. call 335-9295. tfn

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CASH BINGO

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CANSURMOUNT

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LIONS

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INFORMATION

Mountain View La Leche League, a group which offers information and support for breastfeeding mothers. We also meet the 3rd Tuesday evenings of each month. Phone 335-8864 or 335-2331 for information and meeting location. tfn

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Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Fridays 8:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall, Didsbury, 20 Ave. and 21 St. For information call Kim at 335-9645 or Rick at 335-9525. tfn

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MEETING

Adoption Support Group of Olds and area meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month. For more information contact Susan at 335-8540. tfn

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Olds Gamblers Anonymous, 5022 - 52nd St., basement, Wednesday, 7 - 9 p.m. Open meetings, first Wednesday of every month. tfn

SUPPORT GROUP

Fibromyalgia Support Group 4th Thursday of every month, 7 p.m. at the Deer Meadow School, Olds. tfn

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Alcoholics Anonymous Wednesdays, 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the basement of the Anglican Church, Ron 638-2736. tfn

ALA TEEN

Ala Teen, Sundre United Church Basement, Wednesday 7:00 p.m. More info 638-3277. tfn

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